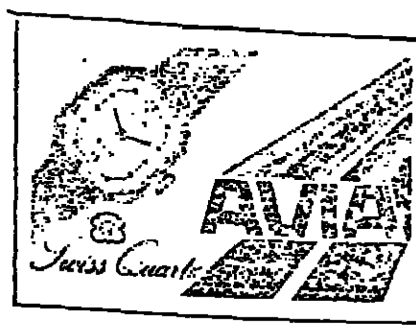


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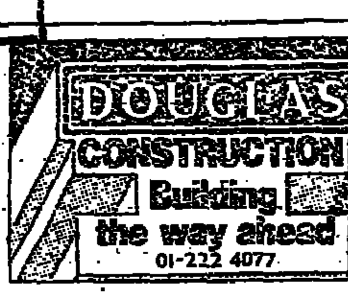
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TV LICENCE FEE GOES UP £12 TO £58

Inquiry into BBC and advertising

By ROBIN STRINGER TV and Radio Correspondent

TELEVISION licence fees are to go up today—from £46 to £58 for colour sets and from £15 to £18 for black and white.

Mr Brittan, Home Secretary, who disclosed the new fees in the Commons, also appeared to open the door to advertising on the BBC by announcing an inquiry into financing the corporation wholly or partly from outside sources.

The new licence fees will not be increased for three years. Depending on the progress of the inquiry they may be reduced or abolished two years from now.

There was widespread dismay among Tory MPs over Mr Brittan's announcement.

The dismay was caused by the size of the increase — which, at 26 per cent. was seen as hard for pensioners in particular to bear — and the absence of any firm commitment to an early and radical overhaul of BBC financing.

Ministers had appreciated that Mr Brittan faced a delicate task of fixing a licence fee which would be seen neither as a victory for the BBC, as some Conservative MPs claimed the £58 to be, nor as an act of vindictiveness by Government.

But the mood among Conservative MPs last night suggested that he had erred on the side of generosity, even though he insisted that the BBC had certainly not felt this to be so.

£350m 'loss' to BBC

The BBC, which had been seeking a £65 licence fee, said it was disappointed by the Government decision, which, over three years, would represent a "loss" of £350 million.

The BBC Governors would begin to consider the implications of the decision today. Casualties would include the planned expansion of local radio, the provision of more money for television drama and the projected start this year on the new Broadcasting House.

A BBC spokesman said it was too early to say whether the decision would mean the loss of jobs later. Its main objective was to maintain programme quality.

There are unlikely to be any programme cuts this year as output on television and radio have been budgeted until the end of the autumn.

Mr Brittan said in the Commons that he believed the new fees would enable the BBC to maintain its present level and range of service, but improvements would have to come from greater efficiency within the corporation.

Mr Kaufman, Labour's Shadow Home Secretary, denounced the announcement of an inquiry as "shoddy and opportunistic."

He gave an undertaking that a future Labour Government would not permit advertising on BBC television or radio.

He also promised that pensioners would be exempted from the licence fee—something Mr Brittan said would cost the Government £325 million a year.

The inquiry by a seven-man committee under the chairmanship of Prof Alan Peacock, the economist now based at Heriot-Watt University, will look into the possibility and desirability of financing the BBC wholly or partly from other sources, particularly from advertising.

Mr Brittan stressed that the appointment of the committee did not mean that the Government had decided to make changes, still less changes of any particular character.

The past record of Prof. Peacock, 62, suggests that he may be inclined to look favourably at financing the BBC from sources other than the licence fee. A former chief economic adviser to the Trade and Industry Department and a former Vice-Chancellor of the independently - financed Buckingham University, he is a noted advocate of the free market.

In 1969-70 he presided over an Arts Council inquiry into orchestral resources and recommended that grant aid be given to only two instead of four London orchestras. The recommendations were then rejected by the Arts Council under its chairman, Lord Goodman.

The inquiry was welcomed by the BBC last night because its wide terms of reference.

The committee, which will probably include members with experience in advertising and broadcasting, will consider the effects of the introduction of advertising or sponsorship on the BBC's home services identify a range of options for the introduction and consider any other means of securing income.

It will examine the consequences of the introduction of advertising not only for the BBC as far as the range and quality of existing services are concerned, but also for ITV, independent radio, cable, satellite, the Press, the advertising industry and the Exchequer.

Mr Brittan hoped that the committee could complete its work by the summer of next year.

'Scope for more efficiency'

Then any changes in the system of financing the BBC could be considered in the light of the findings of the report.

Explaining his decision to grant only a £58 fee Mr Brittan said the BBC "could and must achieve greater productivity than it has done in the past or has so far planned for the future."

Mr Brittan also announced an "urgent examination" with the BBC and the Post Office methods of reducing licence fee evasion, which now costs the BBC about £65 million a year, and ways of helping people to pay the fee "without greatly increasing the costs of administration of imposing extra burdens on the taxpayer."

The Entertainment Trade Alliance, the biggest BBC union, said of the inquiry: "The Government's intentions appear clear. They are to undermine the BBC as an effective public service broadcasting organisation."

The union said: "Significant cuts in standards and losses of jobs" were likely.

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Mr. Justice Kannemeyer, a judge of the Eastern Cape Supreme Court, talking to police officers yesterday at Langa township, near Uitenhage, where 19 blacks were killed during unrest last week.

Areas enlarged in NCB shake-up

By ROLAND GRIBBEN Business Correspondent

MAJOR management changes and a cut from 12 to nine in the number of operating areas were announced by the coal board last night.

They involve the creation of a new executive committee under Mr MacGregor, chairman, promotion for area directors who distinguished themselves during the strike and the creation of bigger areas in the Nottinghamshire and Yorkshire coalfields.

The changes were formally approved by the State corporation's full board after the first post-strike meeting in London with area directors. They mark the tsart of the promised restructuring of what is regarded as a top-heavy industry.

The formation of an "inner cabinet," including Mr James Cowan, deputy chairman, and key executives, is seen as reinforcing Mr MacGregor's position and rebuilding some of the management bridges damaged during the strike.

Mr MacGregor was accused by industry managers of isolating himself from the industry and packing the board, with part-time outsiders at the expense of industry professionals.

'Mine headquarters'

The executive team will have as one of its main responsibilities the production of a corporate strategy for the business with the closure of high cost pits one of the priorities.

A "mini headquarters," at Eastwood Hall in the Nottinghamshire coalfield will emerge as a result of the changes, although the board describes it as an operations office.

The key appointments involve Mr Michael Eaton, at present North Yorkshire area director, moving to become director of personnel. Mr Eaton emerged as the board's chief spokesman after Mr MacGregor bowed out of the limelight because of public relations problems.

Mr Albert Wheeler, hard-line director of the Scottish area, is to take over as director-designate of the combined Nottinghamshire area.

POUND UP MORE THAN 5 CENTS

By CLIFFORD GERMAN Financial Correspondent

THE pound rose by more than 5 cents against the dollar yesterday, closing at $1·2320, its best level for nearly six months, as confidence in the dollar continued to crumble.

In Germany the dollar fell more than 8 pfennigs to 3·12¾ marks.

Sterling also gained ground against Continental currencies, rising 6·2 pfennigs to 3·8568 marks, and its trade-weighted average value rose a further 09 to 77·6, about 11 per cent. above the all-time low last month.

Benefits of budgets

While investors continue to worry about possible further cracks in the American banking system, and a continued slowdown in the pace of American economic recovery with little prospect of a better return on their money, the pound is reaping the benefits of Mr Lawson's rather tough budget and actions of the Bank of England to stop base rates falling too far last week.

Yesterday the Bank of England continued to adopt a neutral policy on interest rates, but the influential rates in the London money market fell by about ¼ per cent., and hopes that base rates will come down a further ½ per cent. were sufficient to stimulate demand for fixed-interest stocks.

The sharp fall in the dollar affected the shares of British companies which did very well out of exporting to the United States last year, however.

The FINANCIAL TIMES 30-share index, after being 1·3 higher at 11 a.m., was eventually 2·7 lower on balance at 979·3.

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IRAN ROCKET ATTACK ON BAGHDAD

By Our Diplomatic Staff

Baghdad was rocked by another huge explosion yesterday as Iran said it had launched its sixth missile attack against the Iraqi capital in two weeks.

At the same time, residents reported they had counted 76 bodies from a missile strike on an apartment building three days ago.

Experts said the SCUD "B" missiles being used by Iran are relatively inaccurate and Iran's lack of sophisticated planes and pilots meant it could not fly reconnaissance missions over Baghdad later to assess accuracy.

Exocet superior—P5

£183m CLAIM BY WHITBREAD

By Our Commercial Correspondent

Whitbread yesterday filed in American courts for damages of $225 million (£183 million) and sought $80 million of it from lawyers involved in its £91·7 million takeover of Buckingham Corporation, of New York, last autumn.

It alleges a dishonest arrangement to remove from Buckingham two of its key distribution rights, Mouton Cadet wines and Finlandia vodka.

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5 p.c. OFFER TO RAIL UNIONS

By MAURICE WEAVER Industrial Staff

BRITISH RAIL yesterday offered its three unions a five per cent. pay package which would put minimum earnings up to £95 a week and add £80 million to its total wages bill. Train drivers would get £126·86 a week basic.

The unions, the NUR, Aslef and the Transport Salaried Staffs Association, had claimed "substantial" increases with a minimum rate of £100 a week and pro rata increases for the higher paid. Their executives are expected to respond to the offer next week.

The British Railways Board's managing director for personnel, Mr John Palette, said the offer was based "not on affordability but availability" of funds and indicated that no more would be put on the table.

But the offer is not tied to the unions' acceptance of further productivity measures because the Board is satisfied that its proposals in this area are already well down the road to agreement.

Instead, Mr Palette said he hoped the union would realise the need to restore the railways' traffic levels and their customers' trust to what they were before the disruption caused during the miners' strike.

The network lost £240 million through the coal strike, £80 million of which was due to railwaymen's refusal to operate coal trains.

ROLLS-ROYCE CHASE AFTER ARMED RAID

By Our Crime Staff

Two company directors gave chase in a Rolls-Royce yesterday after a raider shot and wounded a security guard in £7,500 robbery in Tottenham Court Road, London.

They pursued the raider as he fled on foot to an underground station. Another motorist, carrying a baseball bat, followed the man inside.

He alerted staff and a train was delayed until police arrived. They took possession of a pistol and £7,500 in cash. A man was later helping police with inquiries.

LABOUR IN LEAD

Following one of the most popular Budgets for 36 years, Labour has gone into a 6½ points lead over the Tories, the latest Gallup Poll for THE DAILY TELEGRAPH shows.

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'COMPUTER HACKING' ARRESTS

By HARVEY LEE Television Staff

TWO men alleged to be computer "hackers" — experts who penetrate private systems to get information — have been arrested in London and Sheffield in the first operation of its kind.

Officers of the computer crime unit of the Metropolitan and City Police fraud squad waited outside a house in Edgwarebury Gardens, Edgware, on Tuesday night. They moved in on a signal from British Telecom officials.

South Yorkshire police carried out a similar operation with warrants under the Forgery and Counterfeiting Act in the Crosspool area of Sheffield at the same time. Two men, aged 21 and 29, were taken to a central London police station and computer equipment was seized.

Not for gain

Since January, detectives have been investigating breaches of security in Prestel, the computer information storage system.

The most notorious was in October, when hackers managed to break into Prince Philip's electronic mailbox by discovering the correct password and code.

The raids astonished the close-knit and highly secretive society of hackers, whose members insist that their reward is solely the satisfaction of code-breaking, not financial gain from any information they glean.

Last night Robert Schifreen, 21, a technical author, of Edgwarebury Gardens, Edgware, was charged with forging an electronics device for recording information on the Prestel Gateway and Kipling computers.

INCREASE IN CONSTRUCTION

By Our Commercial Correspondent

New construction work increased by two per cent. in the three months ended Jan. 31 compared with a year earlier, the Environment Department said last night.

Orders for council houses fell by 27 per cent. and for private houses by five per cent. Rises included 52 per cent. in private industrial work and 30 per cent. in private commercial contracts.

BRITON FREED

By Our Beirut Correspondent

British scientist Geoffrey Nash, 60, who was kidnapped in Beirut two weeks ago, was freed unharmed in the city yesterday.

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Today's Weather

GENERAL SITUATION: N.W. airstream over most areas, but trough will approach some W. regions later.

LONDON, S.E., E. ENGLAND, E. ANGLIA: Sunny intervals, showers, some wintry. Wind N.W. moderate or fresh becoming light later. Max 45F (7C).

CEN. S. ENGLAND, MIDLANDS, CHANNEL IS.: Sunny intervals, scattered showers. Wind N.W. moderate, becoming light. 48F (9C).

S.W. ENGLAND, WALES: Sunny intervals, isolated showers at first, becoming cloudy with rain in places later. Wind N.W. moderate, becoming S.W. moderate or fresh later. 48F (9C).

S. NORTH SEA: Wind N.W., force 5 or 6-7 locally gale 8 at first. Sea rough or very rough.

STRAIT OF DOVER: N.W., 5 locally 6-7. Moderate to rough.

ENG. CH. (E.): N.W. 4 locally 5. Slight to moderate.

ST. GEORGE'S CH., IRISH SEA: N. 4 backing W. or S.W. 1-3 or 4. Slight.

OUTLOOK: Changeable, with showers or longer outbreaks of rain.

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Botha hints at crack-down on activists

By CHRISTOPHER MUNNION in Johannesburg

MR P. W. BOTHA, the South African State President, gave a broad hint yesterday of an impending crackdown on political activists.

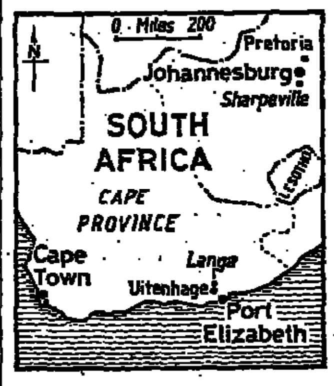
He announced that he had given instructions for "appropriate action" to be taken to restore and maintain law and order.

Mr Botha summoned all three Houses of Parliament to an extraordinary joint sitting to hear his statement on the unrest in black townships, which had left 33 people dead in the past week.

He said it was ironic that when the Government had taken new initiatives to promote reform and co-operation at all levels, "people of ill intent had instigated demonstrations and marches which have resulted in violence, arson and death."

Mr Botha said certain people under the guise of moral and religious conviction, had taken the lead in fomenting civil disobedience and destruction.

"They want chaos to reign so that the international community and the United Nations can condemn South Africa as a threat to world peace. They have embarked on this course at the behest of foreign powers so as to assist their diabolical ends."



Mr Botha went on: "I want to say clearly and categorically that they will not succeed. I have committed myself to political reform, but at the same time, I am committed to maintaining law and order."

There was speculation in political circles last night that the State President's remarks presage a widespread clampdown on church and civil rights leaders who have demonstrated their sympathy with the township rioters.

The possibility of arrest of individuals and banning of organisations like the United Democratic Front, the umbrella organisation for anti-apartheid groups, was being openly canvassed in Opposition lobbies.

The Pope yesterday called on Roman Catholics to pray for victims of the disorders in South Africa and the Golf War.

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10 Pages of Jobs

TODAY'S DAILY TELEGRAPH, the market place as always for job opportunities, carries more than 10 pages covering over 650 vacancies in many branches of industry and commerce.

They range through Aero-thermal Technologist, Animal Feed Manager, Clerk to HM Judges, Carbonate Sedimentologist, Land Surveyor and Technical Author.

39 WHITE CHILDREN DIE IN DAM

By Christopher Munnion in Johannesburg

THIRTY - NINE white schoolchildren died yesterday when a double-decker bus burst a tyre on a bridge and plunged into a dam in the Westdene, a suburb of Johannesburg.

Police said that a further 28 children were in hospital, five of them seriously ill. Divers were dragging the lake last night in case more bodies might be found.

All the victims were pupils from an Afrikaans-speaking secondary school going home at 1.30 p.m. Witnesses said the bus swerved from side to side before toppling into the dam.

Screams of horror

Police believe one of the tyres burst as the vehicle was travelling on a road along the dam, and that the bus then crashed through a fence into the water.

"It was a terrible sight. The faces of these children were blue and yellow when they were pulled out of the water, and everywhere people were screaming in horror," said one witness.

"When the bus hit the water, it sank rapidly and was totally submerged. A number of children managed to escape from the bus before it sank," said Mr Len Coetzer, a motorcyclist who was following the bus.

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Soldier killed by bomb ambush in Belfast

By COLIN BRADY in Belfast

AN IRA bomb blast in central Belfast yesterday killed one patrolling soldier, slightly wounded two civilians and narrowly missed schoolchildren on lunch break.

The explosives, stored in a workman's hut, were detonated from a vantage point as the military foot patrol passed through St Peter's Square, an exclusively Catholic area.

The soldier killed in the blast was a lance-corporal in the King's Own Border Regiment. Civilians suffered cuts, bruises and shock.

Windows in surrounding buildings were smashed and part of a wall at St Congall's Primary School was demolished.

A local community worker who was on the scene at the time said: "The school was beside where the explosion happened and children were coming in and out all the time. "It was a miracle none were killed."

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NACODS FACES CHALLENGE ON PIT SHUTDOWN

By MAURICE WEAVER Industrial Staff

THE pit deputies' union Nacods is determined to make a strong stand over the Coal Board's proposals to close Bedwas colliery, near Cardiff, without submitting it to the modified pit review procedures agreed last October.

The South Wales president of Nacods, Mr Glyn Jones, yesterday met his senior area officials to discuss strategy in what is likely to be the first confrontation over the review procedure since the collapse of the miners' strike.

The dispute with Nacods—a traditionally moderate union with a mere 17,000 members—may seem a fleabite to the Coal Board after its year-long struggle with the N U M.

But the key rôle performed by the deputies ensures that their protests must be taken seriously.

Nacods officials are incensed that the future of Bedwas, one of six south Wales collieries regarded by the Board has having run out of "sensible" reserves, has been virtually decided without reference either to Nacods' members working there or to the disputes procedure.

'Miners intimidate'

The mine is expected to close within four months on the strength of a survey of the National Union of Mineworkers membership which resulted in 181 of 429 miners interviewed expressing willingness to move to other collieries and nearly 250 electing to take redundancy terms.

The Nacods leaders argue, however, that the miners were intimidated by circumstances, that Bedwas might be in a better shape than the Board alleges and that the only way to ascertain the truth, by submitting it to full review, has been ignored.

'SUN' DECISION TODAY

By STEPHEN WARD Industrial Staff

MANAGEMENT of the SUN newspaper will tell the High Court today whether it intends to press for damages against the print unions N G A and Sogat.

An action by News Group Newspapers against Sogat was deferred on Tuesday after a return to work had been agreed by the two unions.

Production of the SUN yesterday and today returned to normal following the loss of 50 million copies.

The company sought injunctions on Tuesday to have the dispute called off because it had not been preceded by a secret ballot as laid down under the 1984 Trade Union Act.

The dispute arose at the start Newspapers against Sogat was of last week after members of both unions in the SUN's machine room introduced a new method of tightening the printing plates, which involved stopping production for about a quarter of an hour.

The unions said it was necessary because an unacceptable number of plates had been breaking, constituting a health and safety hazard.

Under the agreement for the return to work a joint management and union internal inquiry will examine the issue.

Both sides have made concessions. Management has agreed to pay back-pay to Sogat and N G A members laid off during the dispute, although not to men in the machine room.

For their part the unions have agreed to resume normal working.

Mrs ANNE SCARGILL

On Dec. 18 we reported a news bulletin on Vatican Radio which alleged that Mrs Anne Scargill had to be interviewed for a broadcast twice because her references to British political leaders were "vulgar and scurrilous." Vatican Radio now admits its bulletin was wrong. Mrs Scargill was only interviewed once, and it went very well. No vulgar or scurrilous language was used.

Merit pay scheme for teachers

THE Government is to drop the idea of restructing teachers' pay scales in favour of a much cheaper and simpler scheme of merit payments for outstanding teachers, according to a paper prepared for the Cabinet.

Sir Keith Joseph and the Scottish Secretary, Sir George Younger, the paper's two signatories, will tell a special Cabinet committee convened to discuss teachers' pay that a full-scale restructuring must now be abandoned because it would be too expensive.

Sir Keith will endorse the Cabinet's policy of standing firm on the four per cent. pay offer, and will ask for an extra £100 million in next year's Rate Support Grant settlement to enable local authorities to pay bonuses to their best teachers, and those in "shortage" subjects such as mathematics physics and computers.

50 pupils walk out

About 50 fourth and fifth form pupils at Sandy Upper Schools, Beds, walked out of the school gates at lunchtime in protest at the way strike action by teachers is affecting their studies and exam preparation.

Rebate for taxis

Taxi owners will qualify for rebate on fuel tax by applying for a special type of bus licence, which will be granted automatically, Mr Spicer, Transport nUder-Secretary, said in Exeter at the Annual Conference of Taxi Cab Associations.

£5,000 for miners

Labour's National Executive committed itself to raise a further £5,000 for the Miners' Solidarity Fund at alleviate continuing hardship among former strikers and help those sacked by the National Coal Board

90 to lose jobs

As many as 90 jobs are to go at Bemrose Corporation's security printing division in Derby, which prints cheque books and credit cards. Profits have fallen dramatically in the the past two years.

Agency faces sale

The Government is to consider the privatising of the Crown Suppliers, one of the country's largest procurement agencies, which provides a wide range of goods to public sector customers, among whom are government departments, the armed services, local authorities and nationalised industries.



Yarrow workers full of defiance during yesterday's sit-in on the Clyde.

YARROW SIT-IN IS 'SUICIDE'

By STANLEY GOLDSMITH

WORKERS who have occupied the Yarrow warship yard on the Clyde are committing industrial suicide, the yard's chairman Mr Robert Easton said yesterday.

He was one of hundreds of employees locked out by the action.

In shifts of 200, more than 3,000 hourly-paid workers are sitting in to protest at lack of consultation by British Shipbuilders in selling the yard for £54 million to G E C.

Entrances locked

The protesters have a 21-point discussion list covering pay, conditions and future job security. Unless G E C negotiate on it, the sit-in will continue, said Mr Doug Conroy, the yard convenor.

When Mr Easton and many more of the other 5,300 staff arrived yesterday, they found all entrances locked following a meeting of the hourly-paid men late on Tuesday.

The chairman said: "I think it is quite illogical, and industrial suicide. We have not yet heard what G E C's terms are."

Rate reform talks at Chequers on Sunday

By VALERIE ELLIOTT Political Staff

A REFORM of local government finance and the rating system could be one of the key policies on which the Prime Minister will fight the next General Election.

The various options will be hammered out at a special meeting of Ministers called by Mrs Thatcher at Chequers next Sunday.

The Government is preparing to overhaul the present system and is examining every possibility from a poll tax to sales tax, or even a local income tax.

It believes that such a move will be popular with the electorate, who are becoming increasingly irritated with high rates imposed by high spending Left-wing local authorities, it is claimed.

Concern about the present system has been accentuated following the uproar from traditional Conservative supporters in Scotland about their hugely increased rates after the statutory five-yearly revaluation of Scottish rates.

The 21 Scottish Conservatives believe that each of their seats is under threat because of this anomaly, for there is no statutory revaluation of the rates in England and Wales. The last order for such was in 1975.

They will tell Mrs Thatcher at a meeting in the Commons today that unless some urgent action is taken to placate their supporters then the spectre of devolution for Scotland will re-emerge.

Mr Younger, Scottish Secretary, will be accompanied by the officers of the Tory backbench Scottish Affairs Committee. Sir Hector Monro, chairman, Mr Nicholas Fairbairn, vice-chairman, and Mr Albert Mcuarrles, secretary.

Mr Younger will also be at the Chequers talks on Sunday, where he will be joined by Viscount Whitelaw, deputy leader, Mr Jenkin, Environment Secretary, with his junior ministers, Mr Waldegrave, and Mr Baker, and Mr Edwards, Welsh Secretary.

Mrs Thatcher has long been an advocate of rates reform and in 1974 when she was shadow environment spokesman, made an election manifesto pledge to replace the rating system.

POSTMEN'S TIPS TAX ERROR

By Our Political Staff

POSTMEN who were taxed on the basis that they had received £150 in Christmas tips received a belated apology yesterday from the Inland Revenue.

It atmitted that it wrongly presumed that every postman received this amount and acknowledged that the figure should have been checked with local Post Office management and staff in the various regions.

The error was highlighted yesterday by Mr John Moore, Financial Secretary to the Treasury, who said: "In the case of postmen's tips, some tax offices did not follow all the instructions on the Inland Revenue's head office. The Inland Revenue apologise for this and have reminded the offices concerned of the need to establish the facts."

180 JOBS TO GO

S T C Telecommunications is shutting its plant at South Benfleet, Essex, with the loss of all 180 jobs.

Labour tough on black sections

By NICHOLAS COMFORT Political Staff

LABOUR'S National Executive yesterday spelt out to constituency parties setting up "black sections" in defiance of the rules that it is determined to deny such sections any role in the selection of parliamentary candidates.

By 19 votes to seven, the executive approved a series of measures designed to prevent black section delegates taking part in selection meetings — with the unstated inference that parties refusing to comply could face disbandment.

However the two parties mounting the challenge, Lewisham East and Vauxhall, are thought likely to press ahead with their selection process.

One point both sides of the argument acknowledge is that the issue is essentially one of principle. With perhaps two votes on a committee of more than 60, a black section would be unlikely to have the decisive say in who is chosen to fight a particular seat.

Decisively rejected

Mr James Mortimer, Labour's outgoing general secretary, stressed yesterday that the setting up of black sections had been decisively rejected by last year's party conference, and that a majority of black party members appeared to be against it.

However, a process of consultation on ways of giving ethnic minority members a greater role in party affairs was being carried out, and for this reason Left-wingers on the executive had proposed that rebel parties be advised to delay selection until after this year's conference.

Instead the executive decided on a three-stage approach, starting with a letter to all delegates to constituency general management committees — the bodies which select candidates—pointing out that black sections had no standing under party rules.

If this failed, the national agent, Mr David Hughes, and the chairman of the organisation committee, Mr Charles Turnock, would visit the constituency for talks, said the resolution.

If the constituency party remained "openly defiant of the rules," delegates would be asked to sign an "acknowledgment" that they accepted those rules, and only those returning the form would be allowed to join in the selection meeting.

T U C CHOICE

The T U C General Council yesterday selected Mr Kenneth Graham, 62, as deputy general secretary to replace Mr Norman Willis who became general secretary in September.

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DOMINEERING MEN 'BREAK WEDDING DEAL'

HUSBANDS who do not discuss family matters with their wives before making a decision break the terms of the marriage partnership, Mr Justice REEVE said yesterday.

"Marriage is a partnership," he said in the High Court Family Division, "and a partnership is not of much value to anybody if the partners cannot confer."

The judge said that Nigerian-born Dr KHOGIE AIHIE did not believe in consulting his English doctor wife, Pamela, about important decisions in their marriage.

He simply told her what he intended to do even to the extent of arranging jobs for her and enrolling her in a university course. If his slightly-built wife argued, 16-stone Dr Aihie would "pin her in the corner and stand on her toes," said the judge.

Mrs Aihie, 49, was granted a divorce decree on the grounds that she could no longer be expected to live with her 59-year-old husband. The couple, who married in 1963 and have two children, live under the same roof — but "at arm's length" — in Romney Chase, Hornchurch, Essex.

Arrange job

The judge said that, throughout the marriage, Dr Aihie made decisions without telling his wife.

In 1964 he obtained a job in Somerset and when she went to join him, she discovered he had arranged a 12-week live-in post for her at a holiday camp.

In 1966 he found a post in Scotland. When his wife went to join him she discovered he had enrolled her in a course at Glasgow University. This was two months after the birth of their second child.

If Mrs Aihie tried to discuss the implications of any of her husband's decsions, he would lose his temper and use physical violence, aid the judge.

No discussion

"She would like to have conferred. She would like to have discussed matters which involved the welfare of the family.

"But her husband would not do it. He took the decision without discussion.

"Conduct of that kind is about as destructive of a marriage as anything can be, particularly for a sensitive woman who would really like to be doing no more and no less than looking after home and family."

The final incident that spurred Mrs Aihie into filing for divorce came last year when her husband called her a "whore." When her grown-up daughter came to her defence, he attacked her.

News Round-up

MOTHER AND CHILDREN DEAD IN CAR

A YOUNG divorced mother and her two children were found dead in a fume-filled car yesterday.

The bodies of Mrs Christina Barder, 32, her nine-year-old son Robert, and six-year-old daughter, Kirsten, were found near their home at Hartley Wintney, Hampshire, by a walker.

Police had been looking for them after Mrs Barber's elderly mother found a note in their detached house at Tarrant Gardens, Dilly Lane, Hartley Wintney.

Cancer test chiefs 'confusing issue'

Health chiefs in Oxfordshire have been accused of "confusing the issue" over the cervical cancer smear scandal by Mrs Christine Simm, who has dismissed claims that an attempt to trace her friend, Phillipa Kingston, before she died of cancer failed because Mrs Kingston had moved.

Mrs Simm, of Argyle Street, Oxford, said Mrs Kingston, 32, who died last May, did not move house until 18 months after the positive smear test was taken

Housewife relives fatal journey

A housewife bearing an uncanny resemblance to the murdered social worker, Mrs Janet Maddocks, retraced the dead woman's final journey last night.

She was wearing clothes similar to those worn by Mrs Maddocks, 35, of Kings Heath, Birmingham on the 21·02 train from Euston to Birmingham last Wednesday when she was attacked and thrown from the train near Northampton. Police had planned to use a policewoman, who did not know Mrs Maddocks, but the Northampton housewife volunteered.

Year's jail is just a joke

A judge played a practical joke on two insurance fiddlers. After jailing them both for a year, Judge Ian Webster called them back to Wood Green Crown Court in North London and suspended the sentences for two years.

He told Paul Mead, 38, of no settled address and Paul Houghton, 30, of Avocet Crescent, Crowthorne, Camberley: "I sincerely hope that the experience of walking down those steps was a lesson to you." Both were convicted of obtaining £4,600 from insurers by falsely claiming a car had been stolen.

Duchess visits therapy centre

The Duchess of Kent gave her seal of approval to a revolutionary cancer therapy by touring one of the main treatment centres. She was following in the footsteps of the Prince of Wales in visiting the £500,000 Grove House Cancer Help Centre at Clifton, Bristol.

Staff at the centre explained how they teach residents to contract and loosen muscles to ease tension and relieve emotional strains. The Duchess said: "We have all been made not to show our emotions."

Soldier raped German tourist

A soldier from the Guided Weapons Regiment at Bulford Camp, Amesbury, Wilts, raped a 17-year-old German girl last August after chasing her, naked, through woods, Mr Keith Cutler, prosecuting, told Winchester Crown Court.

The girl and nine other visiting students had just set up camp in a wood on Salisbury Plain when 27-year-old Gunner Stephen John Gifford struck. He admitted rape and was jailed for four years.

Livingstone fury over 'ethnic' fire

The people who deliberately started a fire in the Ethnic Minorities Unit at County Hall were guilty of attempted murder, said Mr Livingstone, G.L.C. leader.

A woman and two men at the unit were rescued by firemen on Tuesday night after three separate fires had been started with paper.

Bail refused

An appeal for bail filed in New Delhi by Rajendra Sethia, the British-based Indian businessman who is accused of defrauding three Indian banks and some foreign banks of £900 million, was rejected by Mr S. M. Agarwal, the additional Sessions Judge. Counsel contended that Sethia was capable of jumping bail.



PICTURE: THE STANDARD.

Maurice Beckford on his way to the Old Bailey yesterday.

Jasmine's death was murder, says Crown

THE death of Jasmine Beckford, four, who died from punches to the head, was nothing else but murder, said Mr KENNETH RICHARDSON, prosecuting, at the Old Bailey yesterday.

The child's stepfather, MAURICE BECKFORD, 25, a scaffolder of College Road, Kensal Rise, has denied murdering Jasmine on July 5 last year.

Beckford's common-law wife BEVERLEY LORRINGTON, 24, the mother of Jasmine and two other children, has changed her plea to guilty of two charges of wilful neglect. Beckford has admitted two charges of cruelty and two of assault.

Mr Richardson asked the jury: "If you punch a child of that age, what do you think must be in the mind of a rational, sane person behaving like that?

"It is no excuse to say, 'I lost my temper.' Those punches were fairly hard and there was more than one of them. Remember the condition this child was in before those punches."



Beverly Lorrington—Jasmine's mother.

Multiple injuries

The prosecution has claimed that Jasmine was ill-treated over many months. A pathologist found she was 3ft 5in tall and weighed just 1st 9lb. Virtually every part of her body was injured and she was partly deformed.

Mr. BRIAN HIGGS, Q.C. defending, said there was "very real doubt" as to who killed Jasmine, and whoever punched her was not intending to cause serious injury or death.

He described the accused as "inadequate parents" of limited intelligence.

The Common Sergeant, Judge THOMAS PIGOT, Q.C. adjourned the trial, saying he would send the jury out this morning to consider its verdict.

MORNINGS OF HELL END FOR JOCKY WILSON

The former world darts champion Jocky Wilson, who claims he was drunk when he signed a five-year management agreement, told the High Court yesterday he had not had a drink for five months.

He said he had been drinking heavily until last August, but his weight and drinking became so great that he had to walk out of an exhibition match because he was doubled up with pain.

"I would really like to get tanked up, Dutch courage, before a match. It's just a way of life in the darts game, everybody likes a drink. Now I have stopped. I don't wake up feeling like hell any more," he said.

The player, 34, of Kelso Place, Kirkcaldy, Fife, Scotland, is fighting a claim for an estimated £50,000 damages for breach of contract from his ex-manager Ron Clover and his company Four Leaf Enterprises, of Maldon, Essex. The hearing was adjourned until today.

'OMBUDSMAN' POST ANGERS JOURNALISTS

Journalists on Mirror Group Newspapers may boycott their newspapers' newly-appointed "ombudsman."

They are annoyed with Mr Robert Maxwell, the newspaper's publisher for announcing the appointment of the former top civil servant, Sir William Wood, without consultation.

Mr Maxwell said that the appointment would mean "justice with a quick service." He added: "Sir William will investigate and deal immediately with complaints concerning the reporting of news and the methods employed by our newspapers in the gathering of news."

Sacked rabbi goes to industrial court

By GUY RAIS

RABBI SIMCHE LIEBERMAN, 56, the eminent Jewish scholar dismissed from his post as senior lecturer at Jews' College, London, is to appeal to an industrial tribunal.

It could lead to the Chief Rabbi, Sir Immanuel Jakobovits, as titular head of the college, being called to explain the reasons for the dismissal.

Polish-born Rabbi Lieberman, survivor of seven Nazi concentration camps, who came to Britain after the war, was summarily dismissed from a key post he had held for 14 years after a clash of doctrinal views with the college's new principal and his former pupil Rabbi Jonathan Sacks.

Rabbi Lieberman objected to what he described as too liberal a view of Jewish ethics in education and orthodox training.

'Sad episode'

Supporters of Rabbi Lieberman yesterday released a letter signed by the Chief Rabbi and sent to the deans of a religious college in Israel.

In it, Sir Immanuel admitted he had been "intimately involved in the latest sad episode," and "I should add that I have acted throughout in constant consultation with dayanim (judges) of the London Beth Din" — the Jewish ecclesiastical court.

It is understood that the Chief Rabbi wrote to the college in Tel Aviv after disquiet over the dismissal of Rabbi Lieberman, known throughout the Jewish world as a leading orthodox scholar.

Before it became known yesterday that Rabbi Lieberman was to go to the industrial court, the Jews' College said in a statement that its officers have not so far commented to avoid exacerbating the situation.

While denying liability, the college has already put forward a substantial ex-gratia offer to Rabbi Lieberman.

"The college has informed him that, if he is not prepared to accept this offer, then, in compliance with Jewish law, he should submit his claim to a mutually acceptable Beth Din, and withdraw his threat of civil proceedings."

Chelsea Set drug Lesbians told jail is inevitable

TWO Lesbian lovers convicted of peddling drugs to the Chelsea Set were remanded in custody yesterday for social reports, knowing that they are going to jail.

Judge JOHN EDWARDS told them that he is considering nothing less than a prison sentence.

Antique dealer DIANA WILLIS, 42, and VIVIEN WYATT, 32, were found guilty after an 11-day trial at Knightsbridge Crown Court.

Both were convicted of supplying drugs to a former Coutts Bank employee Christopher Aird Bennett, 29.

Wyatt, of De Vere Gardens, Kensington, was also found guilty of possessing heroin with intent to supply, and two counts of possession, but was cleared of supplying cocaine to a hotel keeper's daughter. MARY HERSKOVITS, and both women were cleared of supplying drugs to millionaire's daughter EMMA DE VERE HUNT, former girl friend of Lord Glenconner's addict son Charles Tennant.

Sentence date

They will be sentenced on April 15.

According to the prosecution, the two lesbians were determined to drag everyone down with them by smearing the names of witnesses.

Willis, of Addison Road, Holland Park, said Christopher Bennett relied on her as a mother figure, and gave her money for sex, not drugs. She also claimed the Marquess of Blandford, himself an addict, wanted to marry her.

PROMISED LAND

Gravedigger Mr Vincent Williams will be buried today in a grave he dug himself. He worked for 40 years at a cemetery in North Cornelly, Glamorgan, and dug the grave several years ago.

COURT FIGHT ON WARBLE FLY SPRAY

A SOMERSET farmer was given permission yesterday to ask a High Court judge to review the Agriculture Ministry decision to spray his Jersey cows against his will to protect them from warble fly.

The Ministry was due at Mr MARK PURDY'S farm this week to spray his 85 cows with a special treatment which he has refused to use. He claims it is dangerous to human health.

Natural insecticide

Mr Purdy of Dane Farm, Halse, Taunton, wants to treat the cows with a natural plant insecticide. Earlier this week he failed to get a court injunction to stop the Ministry acting after it served him with an enforcement notice for failure to comply with the 1981 Animal Health Act.

But the Ministry held back pending the outcome of a full court hearing due on Monday.

Mr. Justice WOOLF, who granted leave for judicial review of the decision was told by Mr PETER LANGDON-DAVIES for the Ministry that it was an urgent matter because the parasitic warble fly, which lays its eggs under the skin and causes the animals intense irritation and distress, comes to life in April.

TIGERS KILL 22

Tigers in West Bengal forests have killed 22 people in the past three months.—A.P.

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BONN REJECTS SPACE OFFER DEADLINE

By DAVID ADAMSON Diplomatic Correspondent

WEST GERMANY made it clear yesterday that it would not meet an American 60-day deadline for a reply on its willingness to take part in research connected with the plans for an anti-missile defence system in space.

A government source in Bonn said preliminary research into the American Strategic Defence Initiative would not be completed by the Reagan Administration until the autumn.

Any decision on participation by the West German government would be made after that.

The 60-day deadline for a response has not been explained, but it appears to be connected with the Geneva arms control talks, which opened this month.

The Reagan Administration takes seriously the possibility that the Soviet Union will this year offer substantial reductions in medium-range missiles, such as its SS20, in return for a halt to Nato's deployment of cruise and Pershing II missiles.

Attractive offer

An integral part of the offer would be agreement by the United States to end its research into the space defence system.

A proposal on those lines would be unacceptable to the United States but it could be extremely attractive to the West Europeans, particularly the West Germans.

Such a prospect explains why the Americans are anxious to get European governments into line behind the space programme as quickly as possible, before the Russians drive a sizeable wedge into an alliance that is already crumbly on the issue.

Since the West Europeans are likely to want to act in concert over an issue that has profound strategic implications, the West German reaction is important.

The major West European States are expected to discuss the space system and their attitude towards it when the Western European Union's defence and foreign ministers meet in Bonn on April 22 and 23.

At the moment they are in broad agreement that they support American research. Beyond that, the reservations begin. They accept that the Soviet Union is carrying out similar research but they do not want either superpower to move projects out of the laboratories into the active development and testing phases.

To do so would be to breach the 1972 anti-ballistic missile treaty ratified by the Soviet Union and the United States.

The treaty was the last arms-control agreement fully approved by both countries and its survival is closely linked to the prospects for success at the Geneva arms-control talks.

CURB ON SHARING
Policy shift needed

OUR WASHINGTON STAFF writes: The offer by Mr Caspar Weinberger, American Defence Secretary, to share space defence technology with Britain and other Nato allies could be undercut by the Pentagon.

American officials and Washington diplomats familiar with the tightening of United States curbs on sharing existing technology with the allies say that if the offer is to bear fruit it would require a major shift in United States policy.

Approval expected

The White House appeared confident yesterday that it would win final approval for continued production of the MX intercontinental ballistic missile when the House of Representatives votes today.

Soviet nukes grow as Nato ones are cut

By Air Cdre G. S. COOPER
Defence Staff in Luxembourg

SOVIET nuclear forces continue to grow at all levels, while Nato is cutting its nuclear stockpile to the minimum necessary for deterrence.

That was underlined by defence ministers in the final communique of the Nato Nuclear Planning Group meeting, which ended in Luxembourg yesterday.

By the end of 1988 the total number of warheads removed from Europe since 1979 will be 2,400, resulting in the lowest Nato stockpile level in 20 years.

The precise number is not given, but it is expected to be about 4,500.

In addition, since one further warhead is being removed from the stockpile for each Pershing II or ground-launched cruise missile deployed, the Nato stockpile will not be increased by deployment of longer-range intermediate nuclear force missiles.

Lord Carrington, Nato secretary-general, said that 118 long range intermediate missiles were now deployed in Europe, with 16 more to be deployed soon in Belgium. The total number planned is 572, each with one warhead.

Mr Weinberger, American Defence Secretary, said the current Soviet SS-20 force, which Nato's longer-range intermediate missiles are being deployed to counter, had 414 launchers with 1,242 warheads.

Wide range

The Nato communique registered concern about the continuing Soviet build-up, noting that the Russians are completing testing of a wide range of new strategic systems, including two types of inter-continental ballistic missile, a new submarine-launched ballistic missile and a new bomber.

A new generation of ground, air and sea-launched cruise missiles is becoming operational, and as well as extending SS-20 deployment Russia continues to update and improve shorter-range nuclear forces.

Nato defence ministers reiterated their willingness to reverse, halt or modify deployment of longer-range intermediate missiles, on the achievement of a balanced, equitable and verifiable agreement for such action.

The communique also emphasised Nato's determination to continue improving conventional defence in Europe; and it expressed support for efforts by Britain and America to maintain the credibility of their strategic deterrents.

But undoubtedly the highlight of the meeting was the accord reached in supporting the United States research programme into precision defence against ballistic missiles with a view to reduced levels of offensive nuclear forces.

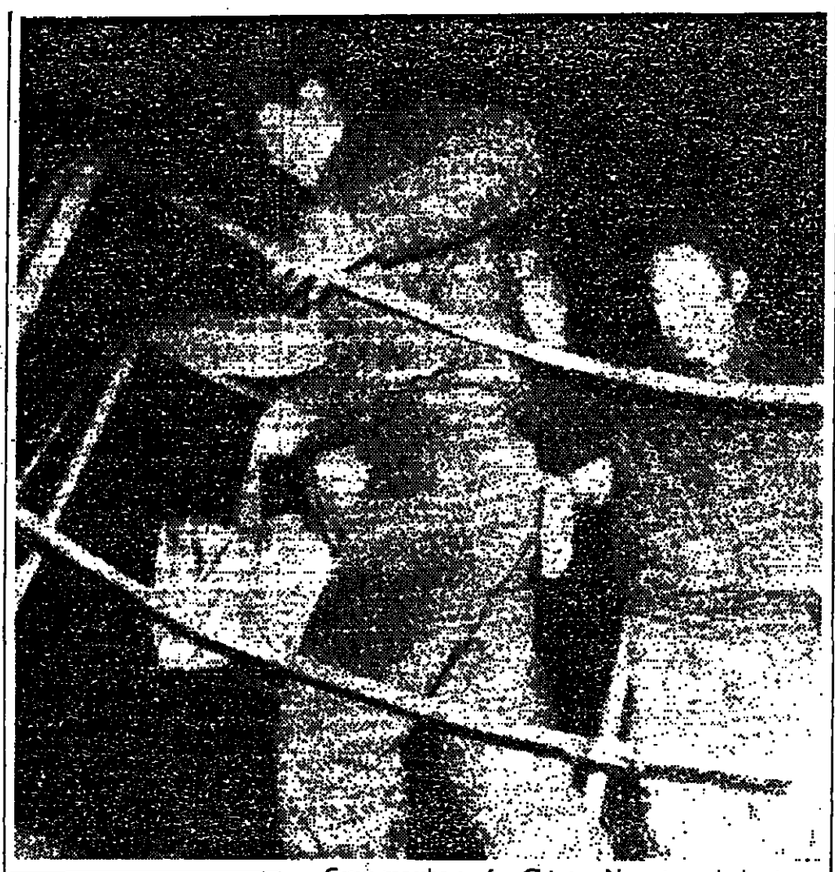
"We noted with concern the extensive and long-standing efforts in the strategic defence field by the Soviet Union, which already deploys the world's only anti-ballistic missile and anti-satellite systems," the ministers said.

"The United States Strategic Defence Research Programme is prudent in the light of the Soviet activities."

BANGLADESH STORM

By Our Dacca Correspondent

At least four people have been killed and 100 injured in a cyclonic storm that swept the southern Pirojpur district of Bangladesh.



Crew members of a Chinese Navy torpedo boat, towed into a South Korean harbour after a fight on board, walking onto a Korean Navy ship yesterday before being returned to the Communist mainland today. Two sailors who wanted to defect to Taiwan were said to have shot dead six officers and are expected to be put on trial.

RUSSIAN TOEHOLD IN PACIFIC

By IAN WARD
in Singapore

THE tiny mid-Pacific nation of Kiribati has confirmed its intention to sign an agreement with Moscow allowing Russian fishing vessels freedom to operate throughout the two million square miles of its strategically located waters.

Three groups of coral atolls, including the Gilbert Islands, and one isolated volcanic isle comprise Kiribati, and these are spread over a large expanse of ocean. Kiribati has a population of 60,000.

Speaking during a visit to New Zealand, President Jeremia Tabai of Kiribati said that formal arrangements with the Russians would be signed and sealed within a month.

His remarks caused immediate concern among Western military strategists in the region who see such an agreement with Moscow as precisely the deal the Russians have been endeavouring to swing with several central Pacific Ocean nations for over a decade.

It gives the Soviet Union, they say, an important toe-hold in a remote area, but one which the



1939-45 War demonstrated was an area of vital strategic interest in a major conflict.

Kiribati was visited by the Queen and Prince Philip aboard the Royal Yacht Britannia during their 1982 royal tour of the Pacific.

New Zealand visit

Mr Tabai has publicised his intentions while visiting New Zealand whose Prime Minister, Mr David Lange, has been accused of scuttling the West's Anzus military alliance.

Mr Lange suggested last week he would try to discourage Kiribati from allowing an increased Russian presence. But yesterday he appeared unconcerned, according to a report from New Zealand.

He thought it would be in Kiribati's interest to be able to extract money from either the United States or the Soviet Union for fishing rights, and shortly before meeting President Tabai in Wellington he said: "I would not regard a fishing licence agreement as a new physical (Russian) presence in the South Pacific."

Mr Tabai's attitude is that Kiribati "belongs to the West" and that the fishing agreement is "just a commercial deal."

He has insisted that the agreement only gives the Russians the right to use eight or nine vessels gathering up tuna in the waters around the central Pacific atolls. The formula, he said, made no provision for a shore base or any permanent Russian personnel.

At the same time he has refused to rule out expansion of the contractual details at a later date.

FLYING DISPLAY BY MONARCHS

By Our Madrid Correspondent

King Hussein of Jordan and his Spanish host, King Juan Carlos, yesterday delighted an audience of Air Force officers and Government officials from both countries with a skilled display of aerobatics.

The monarchs climbed into the cockpits of two trainer jets at an Air Force base at Albacete, south-east of Madrid, and flew the aircraft for 45 minutes in what experts described as a fine show of aerobatic skills.

Chinese determined to stamp out profiteering

By HUGH DAVIES in Peking

PREMIER ZHAO ZIYANG, possibly China's next leader, warned yesterday that the leadership was deadly serious in its drive to stamp out "unhealthy practices" bedevilling the State as it moves away from the centrally planned economy of Marx and Mao.

In a speech to the National People's Congress in Peking, carried live by Chinese television, he said that those who made "mistakes" through ignorance or inexperience would be "educated."

But lawbreakers such as embezzlers would be severely dealt with, while those who were "bold in exposing evil practices" would be commended.

China's hierarchy is becoming alarmed at what it feels is almost a betrayal of its good intentions—the fact that so many officials are using the new reforms to line their own pockets.

'Lavish parties'

Zhao spoke openly of the profits being made by shopkeepers arbitrarily raising prices and "abusing power" by reselling goods in short supply. People were giving "lavish dinner parties and gifts, and offering and taking bribes."

He voiced the fear that unless such practices were "resolutely rectified" the move to build a socialist civilisation would be "sabotaged."

People should be systematic in carrying out the new reforms aimed at relaxing control of economic enterprises to encourage initiative, free enterprise and foreign investment.

The Premier indicated that there was a feeling that the policies were being pushed through too fast. "We must on no account rush headlong into mass action with no regard to what the state and society are capable of," he said.

Optimistic note

On an optimistic note he spoke of "things" getting increasingly better in China, with industrial output up 15 per cent. in the past year, a time of more bumper harvests with per capita income for peasants now at a record level of about £116 a year.

China's economic structure was breaking out from the previous "closed and rigid pattern." But there were problems. Too much currency was issued last year as a result of lax control.

Zhao spoke amid rumours of a large drop in China's hefty foreign exchange reserves. The presidents of its two leading financial institutions, the Bank of China and the People's Bank of China, have been replaced within the past month without explanation.

Western bankers are saying that officials estimate that reserves fell from $16·67 billion (£13·76 billion) at the end of September to around $14 billion (£11·56 billion) at the turn of the year. The cash was being used to import much-needed Western technology.

News Round-up

CBS DROPS TANK CREW ACCUSATION

By CON COUGHLIN
in Jerusalem

ACCUSATIONS that an Israeli tank crew had fired deliberately on an American CBS television team, killing the two men who were filming from a car in southern Lebanon, were withdrawn yesterday after a series of meetings in Tel Aviv.

Mr Ernest Leiser, a CBS vice-president said that even without complete information, the company had withdrawn its allegations. Israeli officials said the tank was two miles from the crew at the time of the incident, and not 50 yards as had been reported.

Moreover, the Israelis claimed a man holding a shoulder camera while filming looked like a terrorist ready to fire a rocket-propelled grenade.

Israeli forces raided the Shi'ite village of Shuar, east of Tyre, yesterday and assembled 100 men for questioning while Unifil soldiers of the Finnish contingent were present.

Russian call to step up trade

Trade between Britain and Russia could be "significantly higher," Mr Nikolai Patolichev, the Soviet Foreign Trade Minister told the annual meeting of the British - Soviet Chamber of Commerce in Moscow. He believed there were "colossal" resources on both sides for further trade development.

Sir Iain Sutherland, British Ambassador, recalled that Mr Gorbachev, the new Kremlin leader, said in London in December that bilateral trade could be increased by 40-50 per cent. Trade was improving, but there was "quite a long way to go" to meet this target.

Transport team to visit China

Britain has been invited to send experts to China to help sort out its transport problem. The team will work on underground and bus systems, urban traffic control, and road-building and maintenance.

The invitation came from the Chinese government and the team is being organised by the Transport Department to spend two weeks next month in Peking, Shanghai, Canton and Shenzhen.

Mayor shot dead

Gunmen shot dead Mayor Domenico Natale de Maio, 46, of Plati in southern Italy on a country road. He was murdered after being dragged from the car in which he was driving with his daughter, Antonella, 15.

MPs in Argentine talks

Anglo-Argentine relations were discussed at a closed-door meeting of politicians from the two countries organised by the West German Foreign Policy Institute in Bonn. British participants included Sir Anthony Meyer (C., Clwyd N W) and Mr Tom Clarke (Lab., Monklands W).

Athens denies bugging

The Greek government dismissed charges that the Conservative Opposition's party headquarters were bugged.

'Brutal' clash with Germans delays farm price deal

By GODFREY BROWN Agriculture Correspondent in Brussels

A BITTER Anglo-German dispute over farm spending and the need to curb still further the costly dairy surpluses yesterday shattered hopes of a quick settlement to the Common Market farm price battle when negotiations resume in Luxembourg next Monday.

The dispute emerged at a meeting of Common Market agriculture ministers in Brussels yesterday.

M. Michel Rocard, French Farm Minister, told reporters the German and British views had been expressed with "firmness and even brutality."

He said the gap between the positions meant there was little chance of a settlement next week, although there would be four days of negotiations in Luxembourg.

The extent of the gulf between the German and British attitudes to the farm price package proposed by the Brussels Commission emerged after overnight "confessionals," conducted with individual farm ministers by the chairman, Signor Filippo Pandolfi, the Italian Farm Minister, and the Common Market Commissioner for Agriculture to establish the minimum demands of each member-country.

Full cut sought

Germany is insisting there must be no price cuts for German farmers, which would happen under the Commission's proposals.

Herr Ignaz Keichle, the German minister, also opposes Commission plans to cut the guaranteed price for cereals, which are in massive surplus, by 5·6 per cent.

As well he wants a year's postponement of the one million tons' cut in the Community milk quota, which was agreed for this year at last year's farm price negotiations.

Mr Jopling, Agriculture Minister, maintains cereal prices should be cut by the full 5 per cent. allowed under the rules, even though an 8 per cent. reduction is warranted by the size of last year's harvest.

He also does not want German farmers exempted from the rigours of price restraint made necessary by the huge surpluses and their costs.

The Italian Minister was to have considered all the points raised by national delegations during their "confessional" talks, to enable him to produce a possible compromise to be tabled as soon as Ministers meet next Monday.

But the differences revealed between Britain and Germany have put this programme in jeopardy. Signor Pandolfi told reporters it was impossible to make any forecast on the result of next week's negotiations or the time that would be needed. They would be very difficult, he said.

STEEL RESCUE
Higher subsidies agreed

OUR COMMON MARKET CORRESPONDENT IN BRUSSELS writes: The Common Market's anti-crisis plan for the steel industry was saved from collapse yesterday when industry Ministers accepted a compromise allowing France and Italy to pay subsidies above the previously agreed level.

The agreement reached is one of principle only. No figures were discussed.

Essentially it means governments will be allowed to breach the 1985 agreement and give extra aid to their steel industries though only under very strict conditions and only until the end of this year.

French wine and fish obstacle for Spain

By ALAN OSBORN Common Market Correspondent in Brussels

THE terms on which Spain and Portugal can enter the Common Market next year are likely to be agreed by Community foreign ministers at a meeting beginning today.

The hope of officials and diplomats is that agreement can be reached before the start of the Common Market summit meeting tomorrow.

The main obstacle to agreement is France's insistence on a reduction in the number of Spanish fishing vessels allowed into Community waters. It also wants further restrictions on Spanish wine.

Small adjustment

The French stand could be a cloak for a basic political opposition in Paris to Spain's entry into the Common Market. In that case no agreement will be reached today and the summit will be in disarray.

But the impression among most Community officials is that France is simply trying to minimise the damage to its fishermen and wine producers after Spanish entry and that it will settle for a small adjustment in the terms it rejected last week.

If the question of enlargement terms can be settled by foreign ministers, the summit will be left to tackle the other big obstacle facing Spanish and Portuguese entry, the threatened Greek veto.

Greece has said it will block the enlargement unless it gets massive financial compensation for the effects expected on its farmers and wine producers.

Ratification key

Athens is seeking about £1·5 billion in grants spread over a number of years. But the Common Market Commission has proposed only £1·2 billion, to be spread between Greece, Italy and France. Even this sum is regarded by Britain, Germany and others as far too high.

Officials said yesterday that, even if Mr Papandreou, the Greek Prime Minister, maintained his veto, the chances of the enlargement of the Community taking place as scheduled on Jan. 1, 1986, would still not be lost.

The crucial question is the ratification of the entry terms in the parliaments of the 10 member countries.

Some officials in Brussels yesterday suggested that ratification could be completed in less than six months given the goodwill of the member governments.

U.S. admits shot major took arms photos

By FRANK TAYLOR in Washington

AMERICAN officials acknowledged yesterday that Major Arthur Nicholson was taking photographs of Soviet military equipment through the window of a storage shed when he was shot dead by a Russian sentry in East Germany last Sunday.

But the officials denied that he was spying, and said there was no justification for his being killed.

A White House spokesman said that some form of reprisal might be taken. "There could be a number of diplomatic-related steps we could take," he said but he refused to be specific.

Nato defence ministers unanimously condemned the killing and the subsequent Russian use of arms to prevent medical assistance to the dying officer as "deplorable and wholly unjustified." The statement was read out by Lord Carrington, Nato Secretary-General, following a meeting of the Nuclear Planning Group in Luxembourg.

Two senior State Department and Pentagon officials said they did not know whether Major Nicholson and his driver, Sgt Schatz, had gone through a restricted military area to get to the storage shed.

But, they said, the shed itself was not restricted.

Moscow claimed that Major Nicholson was "caught red-handed" spying, and that the Soviet guard only killed him after he had ignored warning shots.



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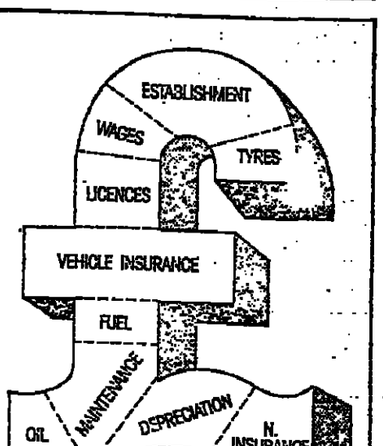
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CUT URGED FOR FOREIGN PARTS IN BRITISH CARS

By A. J. McILROY

THE American motor manufacturing companies General Motors and Ford have been told that the Government means to head off a trend that could reduce car production in Britain to men assembling imported components.

Trade and Industry Department officials have relayed Government concern over the extent of foreign engines, gearboxes and components appearing in cars coming off British production lines.

Steps have already been taken to pre-empt criticism that the Rover 213 from British Leyland is "*mostly* Japanese."

An Austin-Rover spokesman said last night that while the Rover 213 had *Japanese design* and components the company was switching the emphasis to home manufactured parts.

City and industry experts pointed out last night that Mr Tebbit, Trade and Industry Secretary, could impose few sanctions to force the American *manufacturers to make* their British subsidiaries "more British."

Government concern

The changes at British Leyland were clearly preparing the ground for "diplomatic" push to win co-operation.

The Government is concerned over the latest balance of trade figures which show that despite a 10 per cent. increase in exports, helped by the favourable pound-dollar exchange rates, imports of foreign motor components are having a damaging effect.

This anxiety has been reinforced by MPs and others lobbying from centres traditionally linked with the motor industry, who are demanding Government action "so that British skills do not end up replaced by assembly lines for Japanese, American and German products."

Vauxhall, the British operation of General Motors, is under particular scrutiny. None *of the engines in its British* assembly-line cars, for example, is made in this country.

A Vauxhall spokesman said yesterday that this situation had been brought about by years of bad industrial relations, excessive pay settlements and high inflation. But the situation had changed very much for the better despite a recent short stoppage.

He added: "This means that we have hopes that when our parent company comes to assessing its *next investment* period some of that investment in production of components and the plant to make that possible will come to the U.K."

Vauxhall said it was hoping to increase from 50 to 60 per cent. the British content of its British assembled cars very soon. These figures included the costs of assembly.

The Ford Motor Company said *last night that their* engines and gearboxes were manufactured in Britain and other countries for models coming off its British assembly lines.

A spokesman said that including the cost of assembly the British content of the Fiesta 1·1L was 75 per cent., the Escort 1·3L, 88 per cent. and the Sierra 1·6L, 84 per cent.

VOLKSWAGEN JOBS

By Our Staff Correspondent in Bonn

Volkswagen, West Germany's *biggest motor manufacturer*, said yesterday it was taking on 1,000 new workers because of strong demand for its "Golf" and "Jetta" models.



After a career spanning two million sea miles the Royal Navy's oldest serving warship, the 28-year-old frigate Torquay, 2,150 tons, leaves Tor Bay in Devon on her final voyage to Portsmouth

Exocet is the deadliest weapon in the Gulf

By JOHN PETTY
Shipping Correspondent

INTERNATIONAL shipowners yesterday produced the first detailed analysis of the sea war in the Gulf, showing attacks on tankers almost evenly divided between Iraqi and Iranian aircraft.

But the French-built Exocet used by the Iraqis is proving far more deadly than the American-built Maverick missiles used by the Iranians.

The survey covers 35 ships hit in nine months. They were under 17 different flags, including those of Britain, Norway, India, Spain, Greece and Pakistan.

Tankers are most likely to be hit by Iraqi aircraft when between 50 and 70 nautical *miles south of Kharg Island* and within 10 to 60 miles of the Iranian coast.

The targets were equally divided between tankers heading south loaded with oil and those heading north in ballast.

This suggested "the Iraqis are able to gain information *about vessels which are due to* arrive and have departed from Kharg," said the study, by the International Association of Independent Tanker Owners.

The Iraqis launch the sea-skimming Exocet AM-39 missiles from Super-Etendard and Mirage F-1 fighters. The aircraft have an endurance of up to 435 miles. The Exocets weigh about 1,540lb and hold about 360lb of explosive.

The Exocets are radar-guided, cruising at a speed of about 745 mph and between 10 and 20ft above sea level.

They appear to use infra-red (heat-seeking) detection as well as radar in their final guidance to the target.

"Exocets are the biggest threat to surface ships at present," Intertanko said.

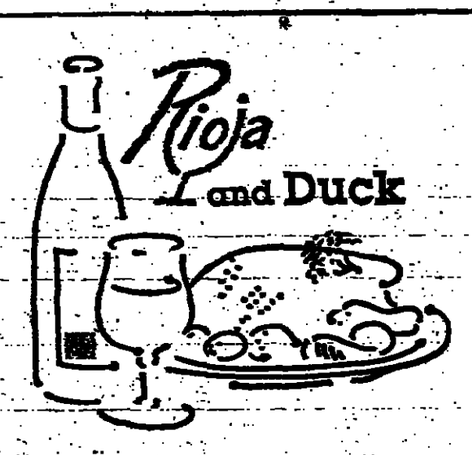
"The 11 tankers that have gone for demolition were all hit by Exocets in the engine room, bridge structure or in the cargo area close to the bridge structure."

The Iranians use Hercules and Orion transport aircraft to search for tankers and follow up between one and two hours later with F-4 Phantom fighters carrying American-built AMG-65B *Maverick missiles* and AS-12 rockets.

Two types of Maverick are used, the largest weighing 645lb including 300lb of explosives. The other weighs 460lb with 125lb of explosive.

The Maverick is TV-guided and the pilot has to line up the nose of the missile on the target before firing, so it cannot be used by night or in poor visibility. Its range is 13·5 miles.

The AS-12 is a light rocket of 165lb with a 55lb warhead. It is homed by steering wires and must be guided by sight to the target.



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General Electric faces arms deal charges

By TONY ALLEN-MILLS in New York

GENERAL ELECTRIC CO., one of America's largest suppliers of military hardware, has been charged by a federal Grand Jury with criminally defrauding the government over a multi-million-dollar defence contract for a nuclear warhead system.

The government alleged that the company had claimed at least $800,000 dollars (£675,000) in expenses to which it was not entitled.

Among the 108 counts of the Grand Jury's indictment were charges that General Electric disguised cost overruns by fraudulently inflating labour costs and applying costs incurred under one defence contract to billing for others.

One supervisory officer and a former employee were also charged with lying to a Grand Jury about the company's military contracts.

Wrongdoing denied

The charges mostly relate to the company's production of the re-entry system for the Minuteman inter-continental ballistic missile at its plant near Philadelphia.

A General Electric spokesman said that the company denied criminal wrongdoing, but acknowledged that "improper" charges might have been submitted for government reimbursement.

"GE has fully co-operated with the Government during its four-year investigation," the spokesman said.

The allegations have surfaced amid growing complaints from American legislators that defence contractors have overcharged the Government excessively on major weapons contracts.

The charges against General Electric make it the largest defence contractor to be taken to court on a contract issue.

Apart from nuclear missile war-heads, General Electric supplies the military with equipment as diverse as B-1 bombers and light bulbs, F-16 fighter planes and washing machines.

CHALLENGE ON TRIDENT JOBS CLAIM

Daily Telegraph Reporter

THE Government is to be pressed to reveal where and how 30,000 new jobs will be created as a result of the Trident missile programme.

Mr Adam Butler, Defence Procurement Minister, told the Commons on Tuesday that it was expected that 17,000 jobs would be created directly and a further 13,000 indirectly during the peak years of production.

But yesterday, Mr Kevin McNamara, Labour M P for Hull North and party spokesman on defence and disarmament, said: "This appears to be an early shot in the campaign to put public opinion behind the programme, which is costing at least £12 billion at latest estimates."

Mr McNamara is to table questions in the House aimed at finding out specific details—including how the figures can be justified, what type of jobs, and where they will be situated.

School leavers

"I believe that while jobs will obviously be created, many other jobs in the conventional arms industry will be cut back because of the *gross expenditure* involved in this programme."

And Mr McNamara was sceptical of just how many of the jobs would be going to the unemployed: "You can bet it unlikely that any jobs will go to unemployed school leavers from Merseyside, for instance."

A Defence Ministry spokesman said yesterday that the numbers of jobs created would be a matter for the individual contractors and sub-contractors involved in the 18-year Trident programme.

PROTESTS OVER RETURN OF GUNBOAT

By HUGH DAVIES in Peking

Scores of demonstrators threw eggs and tomatoes at the South Korean Embassy in Taiwan yesterday after the Seaoul government agreed to return a Chinese torpedo boat with its 13 crew to the Communist mainland.

One protestor was critically ill in hospital after dousing his clothes with petrol and setting himself alight.

The boat is expected to be handed over today in the Yellow Sea with the two sailors aboard who were reportedly wanting to defect to Taiwan. They are said to have shot dead six superior officers.

DENMARK PUTS 2 pc CEILING ON PAY RISES

By Our Copenhagen Correspondent

Denmark introduced a harsh austerity budget yesterday as it sought to improve the country's balance of payments. Both the trade unions and *Opposition have promised* the coalition government a "warm Spring" as a result of the measures.

A pay rise ceiling of two per cent. has been imposed in both the public and private sectors, but inflation is running at five per cent.

The working week has been cut by one hour to 39 hours; company tax is up from 40 per cent. to 50 per cent.; and *wage earners with salaries* over £11,000 must pay an eight per cent. mandatory savings to the State.



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Gallup Poll

LABOUR TAKES 6½ POINT LEAD AFTER 'UNFAIR' BUDGET

FOLLOWING one of the most unpopular Budgets in the last 36 years, Labour has gone into a 6½ points lead over the Conservatives, compared with a three point Conservative lead last month.

A majority of the public think that Mr Lawson is doing a bad job as Chancellor, and that his Budget was not a fair one, according to the latest Gallup Poll conducted for THE DAILY TELEGRAPH.

Majorities also feel that the Budget will fail in the following areas: cutting unemployment, encouraging people to work harder, helping the economy expand, increasing prosperity, and reducing inflation.

Gallup asked people whether they felt Mr Lawson was doing a good job or a bad job as Chancellor and the replies, compared to a year ago, were:

	Today	1984
Good job	33	57
Bad job	51	26
Don't know	16	17

Lower rating

Only one other Chancellor in the past 36 years, his predecessor Sir Geoffrey Howe in 1981, has scored lower than Mr Lawson's current rating.

Similarly, the public's rating of the Budget overall is on the low side, as measured by the replies to the question: "Do you think the Budget is a fair one or not?"

	Today	1984
Fair	41	60
Not fair	51	36
Don't know	8	4

Only three Budgets have scored lower in this category. These were under Sir Geoffrey Howe in 1981, Mr Healey in 1977 and Mr Selwyn Lloyd in 1961.

Gallup also asked people whether they approved or disapproved of five of the Budget measures. Majorities approved of the increase in the price of cigarettes (59 per cent.) and the raising of the tax thresholds (59 per cent.).

Petrol and car tax

Fewer, 49 per cent., approved of the increase in the price of beer, wine and spirits, though 40 per cent. disapproved. Majorities disapproved of the increase in the price of petrol (79 per cent.) and in the road tax (76 per cent.).

The Budget was put forward as one for jobs, but the public believe it has failed in this respect. Three in four, 76 per cent., think it will not reduce unemployment, and even 56 per cent. of Conservatives hold this view.

The public was also asked whether or not the Budget would fulfil five other possible objectives:

	Will	Will not	Don't know
Reduce inflation	33	56	11
Help economy expand	25	62	13
Help prosperity	24	65	11
Encourage harder work	19	74	7
Make it easier for people like yourself to manage	17	73	10

Seven per cent. say the Budget has made them more favourably inclined towards the Government, 39 per cent. say it has made them less favourably inclined, and 50 per cent. say it has made no difference to them.

Labour comparison

People were then asked whether the financial and economic situation would be better or worse if we had a Labour Government, and then separately for an Alliance Government, and the replies were:

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	Labour Government		Alliance Government	
	Today	1984	Today	1984
Better	30	25	27	18
Worse	32	40	15	25
Same	33	30	39	37
Don't know	5	5	19	20

Although the public's atitude to the economy's future under Labour has improved slightly, the pessimists still outnumber the optimists. On the other hand, last year's pessimistic view of an Alliance Government has been reversed.

Given this negative reaction to the Budget, it should be no surprise that Labour goes into the lead in the replies to Gallup's standard voting question: "If there were a General Election tomorrow, which party would you support?"

	Today	Feb.	Jan.	Dec.
Conservative	33	35	39	39½
Labour	39½	32	33	31
Liberal/S D P	25½	31½	25½	27½
Other	2	1½	2½	2

The public's rating of Mr Kinnock, Labour leader, has risen to one of its highest points in recent months, while that of the other leaders remains fairly static.

The full results to the "popularity" questions were:

"Do you approve or disapprove of the Government's record to date?"

	Today	Feb	Jan	Dec
Approve	30	31	33	34
Disapprove	58	55	54	52
Don't know	12	13	13	14

"Are you satisfied or dissatisfied with Mrs Thatcher as Prime Minister?"

Satisfied	37	37	40	43
Dissatisfied	58	57	54	52
Don't know	5	6	6	5

"Do you think Mr Kinnock is or is not proving a good leader of the Labour party?"

Is	57	31	36	36
Is not	47	54	49	49
Don't know	16	15	15	15

"Do you think Mr Steel is or is not proving a good leader of the Liberal party?

Is	60	57	57	57
Is not	25	24	26	27
Don't know	17	18	17	16

"Do you think Dr Owen is or is not proving a good leader of the Social Democratic party?"

Is	53	55	52	55
Is not	21	21	27	25
Don't know	25	24	21	20

This latest Gallup Poll was conducted March 21-25 among a nationally representative quota sample of 964 electors in more than 100 districts. The "don't knows" excluded from the voting figures amounted to 8 per cent.

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Cash cuts 'erode Britain's influence on foreign students'

By ANTHONY LOOCH

GOVERNMENT cuts in the British Council's budget have been excessive, and are "eating away" at Britain's future relations with other countries, the council's director-general Sir John Burgh, warned M Ps yesterday.

The cumulative effect in real terms of Government spending cuts on the council's budget since 1979 had been a reduction of about 20 per cent.

This should at least be slightly reversed to provide a small increase in real terms, he told the Commons Foreign Affairs select committee.

He was not asking for a very substantial amount, but if the budget were increased now by £2 million annually, the cut would be reduced to 15 per cent.

Not only wines

Sir John said he did not want the committee to think that the council did nothing but wince about its misfortunes. It was trying to help itself by raising money in other ways, and by becoming more cost-effective.

It was difficult to exaggerate the importance of getting overseas students "of the right kind, from the right places," to study in Britain.

Deploring the substantial decline in the number of foreign students coming to Britain, he said there was still insufficient clarity about which target Britain was trying to hit, with the use of the limited Government funds available.

"We should try to get here students who will be in positions of importance and influence in their own countries in the years to come, so that they will be the ones who are going to be favourably affected, and will have the right kind of perceptions of Britain."

One in eight

The council estimated that one in eight of the world's present leaders had been educated in Britain.

"That is the significance of policies pursued 20 to 30 years ago, but how many world leaders will have been educated in Britain, 20 years from now?"

Japan had decided to increase the number of foreign students it would play host to. "At the moment, 10,000 are there, but the Japanese government is planning to have 100,000 there by the end of the century," Sir John said.

TAX FILLIP FOR PRIVATE LANDLORDS

By CLIFFORD GERMAN
Financial Correspondent

PRIVATE landlords have welcomed the modest reform of capital transfer tax in the Budget.

But the extra relief available from switching the basis for indexation on assets bought before 1982 from the actual purchase price to the 1982 valuation is unlikely to bring a surge of profit taking or add significantly to the housing stock coming on to the market.

Most of the gains made during the great inflation of house prices in the seventies will still be subject to tax under the new system, although about three-quarters of the gains landlords made on investment property before 1982 were paper profits.

A property bought as an investment for £10,000 in 1970, valued at £60,000 in 1982 and sold before the change in rules for say £75,000 would, assuming 15 per cent. inflation since March 1982 have warranted an indexed offset of only £1,500 against a gross profit of £65,000, giving a taxable gain of £63,500.

Future rules

Under future rules, the offset will be based on the 1982 valuation of £61,000, producing an offset of £9,000 and a taxable gain of £56,000. With inflation now running at an average of only ½ per cent. a month. The offset will continue to grow only slowly.

A spokesman for the British Property Federation believes that most private landlords will probably hold on to long term investment property in the hope of further concessions in the lifetime of the present Parliament.

Most small landlords are more concerned with the impact of rent controls, tenants' security of tenure, and trying to have their property income treated as a trade rather than an addition to their personal income.

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Tory pressure group on jobs launched

By VALERIE ELLIOTT Political Staff

A CONSERVATIVE action group to tackle unemployment was launched yesterday by Mr James Lester, M P for Broxtowe, Notts, and a former junior minister for employment.

He said that 122 M Ps had already said that they wanted to be associated with C A R E —Conservative Action to Revive Employment.

He did not wish to disclose their names but acknowledged that Mr Francis Pym, former Foreign Secretary, was involved and that Mr Heath, former Prime Minister, had agreed to draw up and consider certain discussion papers.

Pressure group

Mr Lester hoped they would act as a pressure group upon the Government and that they would be armed with considered arguments to change the Government's stance.

Among the prime movers of the group are Mr Peter Thurnham (Bolton North-East), Mr Christopher Hawkins (High Peak), and Mr Robert Harvey (Clwyd South-West). But support has also come from Mr Wakeham, the Chief Whip, Mr Cranley Onslow, chairman of the Conservative Backbench 1911 Committee, and the party's backbench Employment Committee.

Vehicle for 'Wets'

While the group is an obvious vehicle for government "Wets" to criticise present policy, it has support from pro-Thatcherite M Ps.

Its launch however may be regarded with suspicion by some Conservatives because it emerges in the week before the Tory Reform Group, the most prominent group of "wet" thinking in the party, holds a conference on the theme "Can Government Create Jobs?"

Among those scheduled to address the conference are Mr Heath, Mr King, Employment Secretary, and Mr Walker, Energy Secretary and president of the Reform Group.

GROUP GIVES CITY FRINGE BENEFITS

By ROBERT BEDLOW
Estates Correspondent

THE Government has given the go-ahead to a new nationwide body to tackle neglect and decay in and around towns and cities.

Groundwork Foundation will be funded by Whitehall, the Countryside Commission and the Nature Conservancy Council.

It follows pilot projects in the north west, where charitable trusts were set up with a combination of local authorities, private sector interests, and voluntary organisations.

Lost opportunities

The work included clearing rubbish-strewn ponds and rivers, tree-planting, managing woodland, restoring canal towpaths, improving access and reducing the effects of vandalism and trespass.

Foundation leaders claim that the town-countryside fringes have been wasted resources, with dereliction and lost opportunities for recreation, conservation and productive agriculture.

The Countryside Commission and the Nature Conservancy Council will be giving at least £2 million to Groundwork, and the Department of the Environment has been asked for a further £75,000.

'EGG THIEF' LIST ABANDONED

An attempt by the Royal Society for the Protection of Birds to "shame" egg thieves by publishing their names and addresses in the society's quarterly magazine has been abandoned.

An R S P B spokesman said yesterday that the nest raiders were using the list to get in touch with each other and exchange information.

LIFT CORRODED

By Our Shipping Correspondent

The Anderton Lift, which raises and lowers boats vertically between the River Weaver Navigation and Trent and Mersey Canal, may become a "non-working monument." British Waterways Board is investigating whether enough pleasure boats use it to justify repairing its corroded parts.

BACK ON FILM

The team which makes video recordings at the Hospital for Sick Children in Great Ormond Street, London, was back at work yesterday, using hired equipment to replace £15,000 worth of gear stolen on Sunday.

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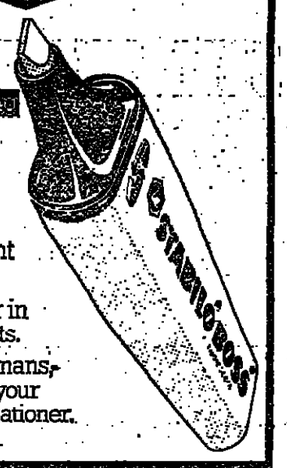


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KEEP EARNINGS-RELATED PENSION SCHEME GOVERNMENT TOLD

By DAVID FLETCHER Health Services Correspondent

THE earnings-related State pension scheme should continue, the Government is told by its professional advisers, the Social Security Advisory Committee, in a report today.

The committee admits that the National Insurance contributions required to support the scheme will grow steadily as the number of pensioners increases and the number of employees making contributions falls.

But it says that, on present trends, the expense will not reach its height until well into the next century and it is far too early to abolish the scheme now in anticipation of what might happen in 50 years time.

It says: "Present demographic trends indicate that the most difficult point will come about 2030 when the numbers of people above retirement age and below working age will be greatest in relation to the likely size of the labour force."

Economic growth

It points out that estimates of the future birth rate, the level of economic growth and assumptions about mortality rates may upset the calculations.

"We consider that it would be more sensible to wait until the turn of the century when not only will the likely ratio of elderly people to workers in 2030 have become clearer, but the longer-term prospects for economic growth through into the next century will be more apparent," the report says.

The earnings related pension scheme was introduced in 1978 and when it matures in 1998 will provide half-pay pensions for those on average earnings.

The report argues that this topping-up of the flat-rate State pension is essential because the basic pension is not increasing at a rate which enables pensioners to share in the increasing prosperity of wage earners.

Losing ground

Pensions are at present uprated annually in line with prices but because earnings grow faster than prices the pension is falling as a proportion of earnings.

Depending on the movement of prices and incomes, the report estimates that the value of the flat-rate pension as a proportion of earnings will fall by half within 40 years.

The report concludes that if improvements in the pension scheme cannot be contemplated, the minimum need is to keep the earnings-related scheme as it is.

Child benefit

The committee also considered the future of the £6·85-a-week child benefit but admits its members were divided.

"Some of us take the view that, in the interests of better benefits for the poorest claimants, it would be defensible to reduce or remove the sums currently paid at a flat rate to those at the upper end of the income scale.

"We note that some £200 million a year could be released by removing child benefit from higher-rate tax payers.

"Some of us, however, felt very strongly that it would be wrong to depart in any way from the principle of universal access to child benefits."

As a compromise the committee recommends that some of the annual increase in child benefit should be withheld and the money used to improve the children's allowances paid to those on supplementary benefit.

"It is indefensible to allow a situation to persist in which—as the recent research by the Policy Studies Institute indicates—three out of five children in supplementary benefit families lack items from a standard set of clothing, usually such expensive essentials as a warm coat or a change of shoes."

Third Report of the Social Security Advisory Committee, Stationery Office. £5·75.

DOG FINDS GRENADE

A pet labrador called Sheena brought a riot grenade from a nearby playing field to the home of her owner, Mrs Beryl Barber, 45, of Gregory Avenue, Breaston, near Derby, yesterday. The grenade was later made safe by bomb disposal experts.

40 WPcs end hospital demo by women

By DAVID FLETCHER

AN all-female force of more than 40 police officers was used for the first time in Britain yesterday in an operation to remove demonstrators from a closed London hospital.

The policewomen overcame a number of booby traps when they stormed the South London Hospital for Women, Clapham, which has been occupied for nine months by women protesting over its closure.

The demonstrators had deliberately poured oil over the floor and stacked furniture up the staircase in an effort to foil eviction.

Fireworks let off

Some of the 29 protesters were carried out of the building and two were arrested for obstructing the police. Both were later released without charge.

Some protesters clambered on to the hospital roof and had to be carried through trapdoors by women officers. At one stage fireworks were let off from the roof.

The hospital, which employed women only to treat women patients, was officially closed in July last year after Wandsworth Health Authority decided it was uneconomic.

BEES KILL STUDENT

African killer bees attacked two Venezuelan students, killing one and seriously injuring the other, during a trip in the mountainous Guarico state, south of Caracas.—*U P I.*



The Princess of Wales accepting a posy from Ludo Mpuchane, 9, daughter of the Botswana High Commissioner, at Fishmonger's Hall in the City yesterday when she attended a buffet lunch given by the Commonwealth Society for the Deaf.

'Mind manners' order after bankruptcy error

DAILY TELEGRAPH REPORTER

OFFICIAL RECEIVERS have been ordered to mind their manners when serving bankruptcy orders after the Ombudsman investigated a case of mistaken identity.

The Department of Trade's Insolvency Service had a Receiving Order in Bankruptcy mistakenly served on an innocent man.

In his annual report published yesterday, the Ombudsman said that the error arose because the recipient of the notice had the same name as someone else living in the same area.

The man who had received the notice contacted his solicitor and went with him to the Official Receiver's Office where mistaken identity was quickly established.

When the solicitor subsequently asked the Official Receiver's Office to reimburse his client for his lost time and the solicitor's bill it was refused on the grounds that the matter could have been resolved by telephone.

Ombudsman's view

But the Ombudsman who was then Sir Cecil Clothier who was replaced by Mr Anthony Barrowclough, Q C, on Jan. 3, considered that few people would risk ignoring a summons to the Official Receiver's office.

His intervention with the Department's Principal Officer won £100 compensation for the man in respect of lost earnings and £100 for the solicitor's bill.

Sir Cecil's intervention in another case won £1,600 travel and subsistence expenses for the wives of three jailed terrorists. The wives claimed that DHSS offices had been "obstructive and difficult" when they asked for financial help to visit their husbands.

Sir Cecil found no evidence of "deliberate discrimination" but did feel that handling of the women's applications had been inadequate.

Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration. Annual Report, 1984. HMSO. £3·75.

CONSULTANT ACCUSED OF NHS FRAUDS

Hugh Thomas, 49, a £30,000 a-year senior consultant at the Prince Charles Hospital, Merthyr Tydfil, was remanded on bail for eight weeks at Bridgend yesterday charged with 18 offences of fraud and one of theft involving over £8,000.

He is accused of falsely claiming expenses from Mid-Glamorgan Health Authority totalling £4,600, with obtaining £1,600 by claiming payment for 48 vasectomy operations, and obtaining more than £1,350 by deception from patients by falsely claiming they could not be admitted to the hospital for NHS treatment for a considerable time.

Thomas, of Tal-y-Llyn, Brecon, Powys, also faces three charges of attempting to obtain money by deception from three women by telling them they could not be admitted as NHS patients for immediate necessary treatment, one of obtaining £180 by claiming payment for an in-patient at the hospital, and one of stealing £440 from Mid-Glamorgan Health Authority.

'NO CARS' PLAN AT GREENWICH

Consultants advising on how to attract more tourists to Greenwich have proposed ending the one-way system which has the biggest traffic jams in London.

It would permit roads near the Royal Naval College to be pedestrianised, with landscaping of Cutty Sark Gardens, creation of a coach-unloading point and more shops and cafes near Greenwich Pier.

100 JOBS CREATED

By Our Business Correspondent

Foster Brothers, the clothing firm, is providing 100 jobs in Newcastle upon Tyne with the opening of a store in the city next month.

AIR RULES 'A SELFISH CARTEL'

Daily Telegraph Reporter

BRITISH charter airlines are the most efficient in Europe and should be allowed to compete on scheduled routes, says a report from the Adam Smith Institute, its free enterprise think tank, published today.

The report, to be presented to Mr Ridley, Transport Secretary, says that present airline regulations "are a selfish cartel to extract money from the consumer."

European scheduled airlines are "costly, over-manned and inefficient," with fares more than twice as high as their United States equivalent, which also have a 50 per cent. higher staff productivity rate.

Lower fares

The report, written by Mr Sean Barratt, a transport economist of Trinity College, Dublin, says that if European aviation is deregulated, as happened in the United States in 1978, a similar increase in passenger choice and fall in fares could be expected.

British charter airlines should do well, says the report, as they regularly fly at less than 40 per cent. of the cost of scheduled carriers.

"If they were permitted to compete in domestic and international scheduled services, they would expand to become some of the largest and most successful airlines in Europe."

Sky High: Airline Prices and European Regulation: Adam Smith Institute, PO Box 316, London, SW1P 3DJ. £3.

PRISON DOCTOR WINS DAMAGES FROM TV-am

TV-am is to pay "substantial" libel damages to the principal medical officer at Parkhurst prison, Isle of Wight, over a suggestion that the health of the Kray twins had been damaged by the use of drugs to "suppress" them.

The allegation that drugs had been administered for non-therapeutic purposes and had caused Reginald and Ronald Kray appalling physical or mental damage was entirely false, said Mr Richard Parker, counsel for Dr Brian Cooper, in the High Court in London.

Dr Cooper, a psychiatrist, accepted the damages, with costs and a public apology from TV-am, in settlement of his libel action over an item in the "Good Morning Britain" programme in September, 1985.

GATT ATTACKS 'BUY BRITISH'

By Our Geneva Correspondent

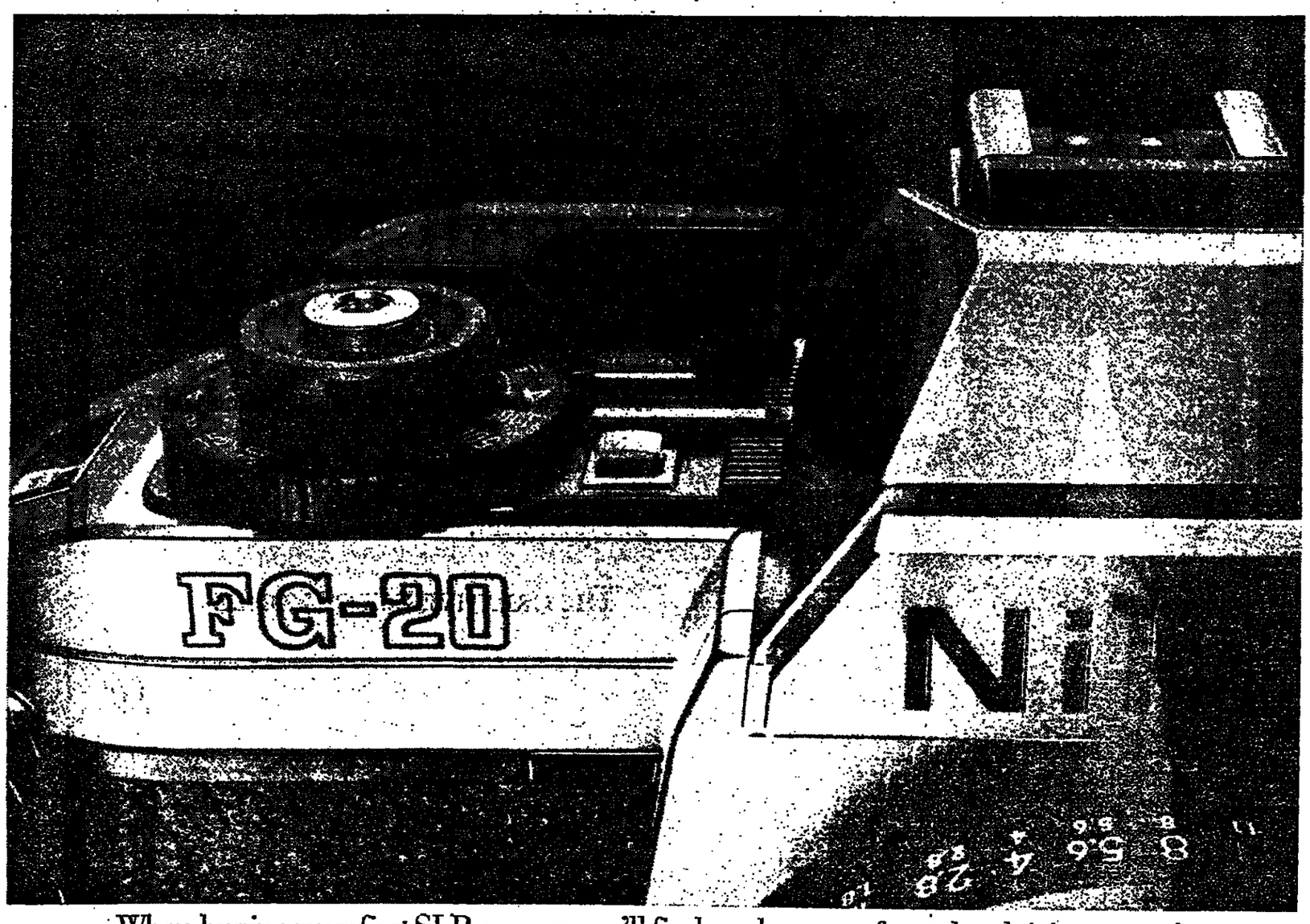
Slogans like "Buy British" threaten continued worldwide economic growth, according to an independent study published yesterday by the Geneva-based General Agreement on Tariffs and trade.

It said the world could sustain an annual per capita growth of 3·5 per cent. through new technology and markets, and lower trade barriers, but the growing accumulation of protectionist measures threatened to stunt such growth.

SHORT-TIME WORK

Up to 100 new jobs will be created at the Cherry Valley Farms food-processing factories in Caistor, North Lincolnshire, by reducing the 180 workers' five-day 40-hour week to a three-day 36-hour week, enabling 72 hours production a week instead of 40.

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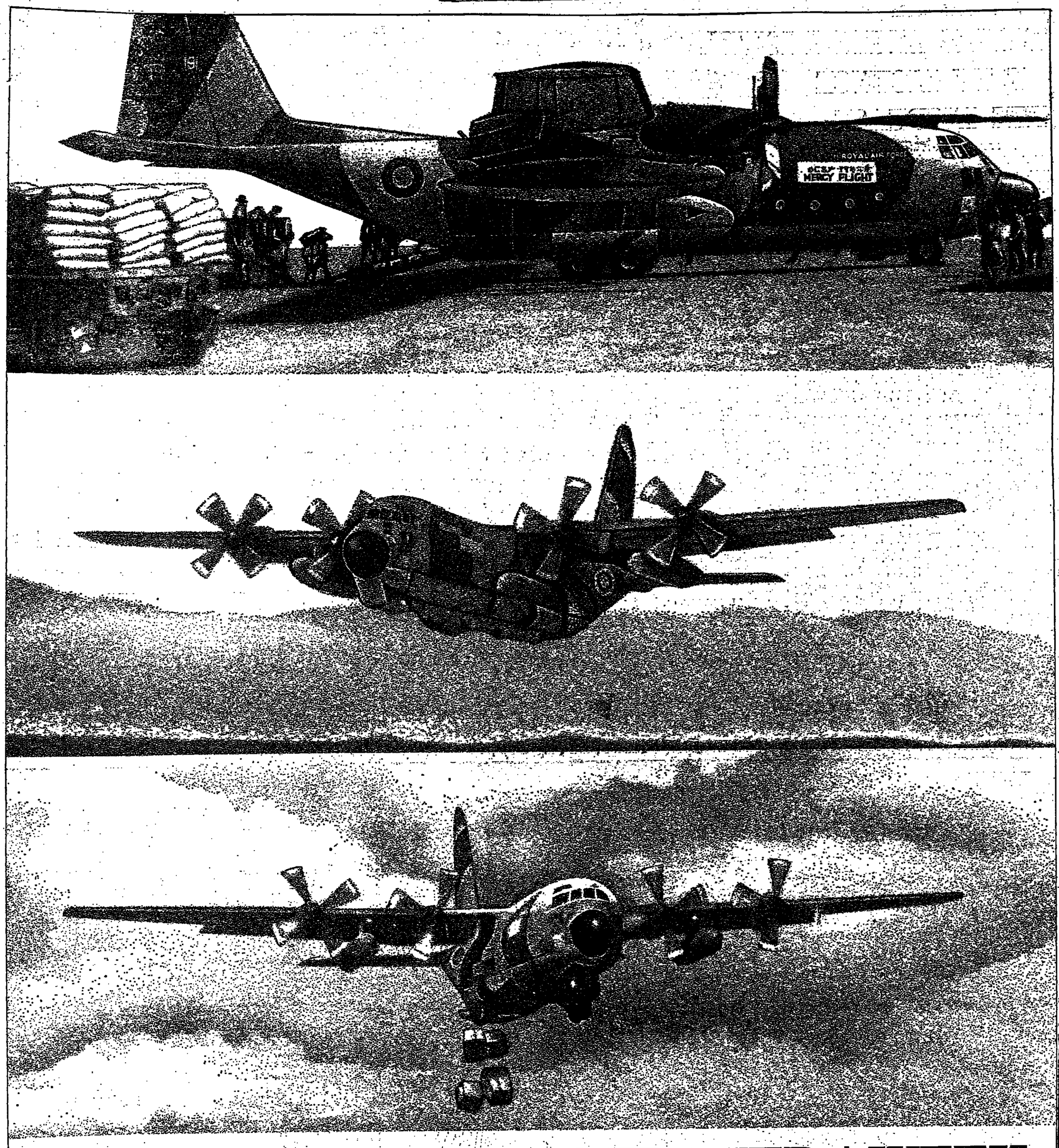
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Yesterday in Parliament

TORIES ATTACK LEVEL OF TV LICENCE FEE INCREASE

By PETER PRYKE Parliamentary Staff

MR BRITTAN, Home Secretary, faced criticism from a number of Conservative MPs in the Commons yesterday that his decision to allow a £58 fee for colour television represented a victory for the BBC.

Several Tories claimed that a 26 per cent. increase in the fee, above the likely rate of inflation, would not encourage the BBC to carry out necessary economies.

There was a cry from the Government benches of "It's a sell-out."

In reply, Mr Brittan said that the new licence fee would last for two years and if necessary for a third year. Defending his decision to allow a 12 per cent. increase in the fee, he said it was not just a question of the prospective rate of inflation.

The BBC's costs were affected by what they had to pay, and the market leaders were not the BBC but ITV, whose costs were 30 per cent. above the BBC's.

"When I told the BBC yesterday what I intended, their demeanour on emerging from my room was not that of victors," he added.

Labour pledge

The Home Secretary's announcement of a committee, chaired by Prof. Alan Peacock, to examine the effects of introducing advertising into BBC services was attacked by Mr GERALD KAUFMAN, Shadow Home Secretary, as "shoddy and opportunistic."

Mr Kaufman pledged that a Labour Government would not permit advertising on BBC television or radio and said that Prof. Peacock would have to take this into account.

He also promised that the licence would be phased out, so that no retirement pensioner would have to pay for a TV licence, and added that a Labour Government would consider how the cost of a licence would be taken into account in assessing the needs of those on supplementary benefit.

Mr BRITTAN replied that free licences for pensioners would cost £325 million a year. He added that Labour's pledge lacked credibility and said that Mr Kaufman had misjudged the judgment and good sense of the British people if he thought it would help him win an election.

In his statement, Mr Brittan said the Peacock Committee would consider the impact of advertising not just on the BBC but also on independent broadcasting, on newspapers and on the Exchequer.

"The review will be required to assess the effects of the introduction of advertising or sponsorship on the BBC's home services either as an alternative or a supplement to the income now received through the licence fee and to identify a range of options with an indication of their advantages and disadvantages.

"One of the central questions for the committee is the possible impact the introduction of advertising would have on the character and quality of all broadcast services.

"It will also consider the scope for the BBC to obtain additional revenue from the consumer other than through the licence fee.

Options for change

"I must stress that the appointment of the committee does not in any way imply that the Government has decided to make changes in the present arrangements, still less changes of any particular character.

"Nonetheless, the appointment of the committee does mean that options for changes will have to be considered in the light of its report."

He hoped that the committee would complete its work by the summer of next year.

Announcing that the new fee would apply for two years, Mr Brittan said that if decisions could not be made in the light of the committee's report within two years, or it was decided there should be no change to the system, the licence fee would run for a third year at the rate he had announced.

"The BBC should therefore plan its expenditure for the next three years on the basis that it must for that period live within the income equivalent to that generated by fees at the level announced today."

Emphasising the need for the BBC to achieve greater efficiency through improved management procedures and strengthened management attitudes, he said the governors would be calling for progress reports every six months.

Sponsorship idea

Mr TIMOTHY BRINTON (C., Gravesham) said the BBC should be denied straight advertising but the question of sponsorship should be considered. "If the BBC advertises, the question arises of whether we need the BBC."

Mr BRITTAN confirmed that sponsorship was within the terms of reference of the inquiry.

Mr JOHN STOKES (C., Halesowen and Stourbridge) said: "Some of us would be more enthusiastic about the increase in licence fee if the BBC generally showed a more patriotic stance and did not denigrate our national heroes."

But he was contradicted by Mr MERLYN REES, the former Labour Home Secretary, who said the most patriotic television and broadcasting system in the world came from Moscow.

"Whatever happens on finance, keep it out of political control," he said.

'Vested interest'

Mr WILLIE HAMILTON (Lab., Fife Central) said there was the greatest suspicion about the enormous vested interest in advertising among Conservative MPs. More than 50 had interests in advertising agencies.

"These are the people, along with the Prime Minister, who are urging financing of the BBC by advertising."

Mr JOHN CARTWRIGHT (Soc. Dem., Woolwich) said the present licence system involved hardship and it was sensible to have a serious examination of alternative finance, including advertising.

Mr JOHN BUTTERFILL (C., Bournemouth W.) said pensioners would be appalled by a 26 per cent. increase in licence fee and Mr JOHN WATTS (C., Slough) said the increase was excessive.

Mr DAVID HARRIS (C., St Ives) said: "Many of us feel we don't need yet another committee to tell us that the BBC is greatly overstretched in what it is trying to do and also overmanned."

Mr MARK CARLISLE, a former Conservative Education Secretary, said that at £58 the television licence was still one of the best values for money.

Threat of asset-stripping by GLC blocked

By WILLIAM WEEKES
Parliamentary Staff

GOVERNMENT moves to make sure the Greater London Council and the six metropolitan county councils cannot indulge in a "scorched earth" policy on the run-up to abolition were approved in the Commons last night.

New clauses to the Local Government Bill place strict controls on contracts entered into by the councils, the disposal of land, and on liabilities which might fall later on successor authorities.

Mr BAKER, Local Government Minister, defended the decision to make the new arrangements retrospective from last Thursday.

He said now that the House had accepted the reality and principle of abolition, it would be irresponsible to postpone the effects of the provisions until the Bill had received Royal Assent.

'Life after death'

Mr Baker issued a warning that this could have led to a final bout of asset-stripping "the like of which was never seen before."

The successor authorities could have found their cupboards bare, and ratepayers would have had to foot the bill.

The Government was fully justified in view of the expressed intentions of leading Labour members of the GLC to subvert the purpose and effects of abolition—"to set up a GLC in exile, life after death, and to push as much money out of the building as possible."

"All this could involve asset-stripping on a huge scale, and we are not prepared to stand idly by and let this happen.

"We are not going to let the GLC go on a spree, leaving the bill for the Government or the London boroughs to pick up from the overturned table."

The new clauses, moved on report stage of the Bill, mean that the GLC and metropolitan counties will have to seek consent from Mr Jenkin, Environment Secretary, before they can dispose of interests in land or enter into contracts worth more than £15,000.

Consent will also be needed for the creation of new liabilities capable of surviving abolition.

Councillors who disobey the rules could be liable to disqualification or surcharge.



Mr BAKER: Successor authorities could have found their cupboards bare.

Mr Baker said that the Bill paving the way for abolition set control over contracts at £100,000, and a surprising number of contracts had come in since at £99,000.

Mr JACK STRAW, an Opposition Environment spokesman, attacked the new clauses as a "constitutional disgrace." They gave Marsham Street — home of the Environment Department — and Whitehall unjustified centralised power over county halls.

"It is a further illustration of the arrogance and contempt for democracy which characterises so many of this Government's actions," he said.

The new proposals were approved by 324 votes to 189, Government majority 135.

ROYAL ASSENT

By Our Parliamentary Staff

The Royal Assent was signified yesterday to the Valerie Mary Hill and Alan Monk Marriage Enabling Act, the Consolidated Fund (No. 3) Act, the Mineral Workings Act, the Cinemas Act, the Shipbuilding Act and the Surrey Act.

DEBUT OF PEERESS

By Our Parliamentary Staff

Baroness Warnock, the former Dame Mary Warnock, was introduced and took her seat in the Lords yesterday as a life peeress.

Bishop's view of the 'real world'

By WALTER ABURN
Parliamentary Staff

MRS THATCHER'S recent rebuke that "cuckoo" bishops knew nothing of the real world drew a response in the Lords yesterday from the Bishop of LIVERPOOL, the Rt Rev. David Sheppard.

Joining in a debate on the need to avoid a repetition of the current starvation in Third World countries, he recalled warnings two years ago that these tragedies were on the way in Africa and elsewhere.

He recalled Mrs Thatcher's words on cuckoos and said he had just learned of a church youth group which had ordered a "We Love Cuckoos" badge.

What he had seen in both Lima and Liverpool were the real world—and part of a bishop's responsibility was to insist that we were members one of another; both in Lima's shanty towns and the business City where money called to money.

Churches had given a ready response to the hungry Third World, for which they had raised more money this year than ever before, but need stretched far beyond what voluntary bodies could meet and Governments could do more.

The problems were political and social and not merely technical. The answers were complex. But starvation was not inevitable, nor was it an act of God.

Indian example

In a maiden speech, Lord GRENFELL (Soc. Dem.), a former World Bank representative to the United Nations, said it was governments, and not the weather, which would decide if there were to be more tragedies of Ethiopian dimension in Africa in the years to come.

If lessons learned were vigorously and imaginatively applied, there was no reason to condemn sub-Saharan peoples to the threat of starvation for all time.

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African agriculture had endured years of neglect and repression. The small farmers — Africa's most precious resource—had seen their need of better roads, fertilisers and seeds unmet and ignored.

Voicing admiration for the work of non-governmental organisations, he stressed that government and international agencies had to play a bigger part in long-term effort to avoid a recurrence of today's tragedies.

Today in Parliament

HOUSE OF LORDS

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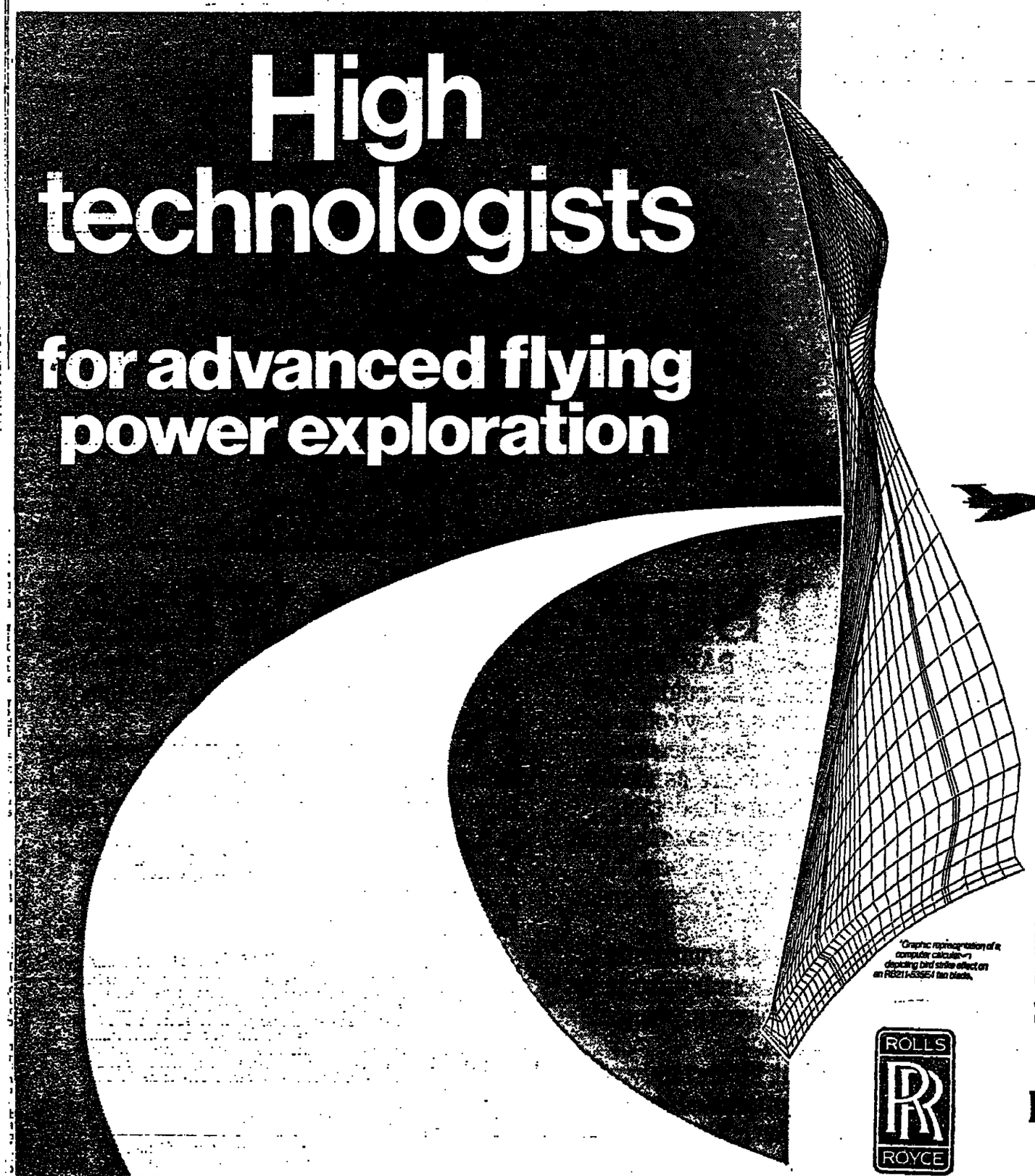
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designing the systems and equipment that convert solar or battery power for onboard services, handling up to 7.0Kw.

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If you wish to reach higher in your career, contact: Eric Eason, British Aerospace Dynamics Group, Space & Communications Division, FREEPOST, Argyle Way, Stevenage, Herts SG1 7BR. Telephone: Stevenage (0438) 736323 or 736241.

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North East, c.£20,000 + car

Our client, part of one of the UK's largest quoted groups, is a leading supplier of high quality branded consumer products. Based at one of the principal manufacturing locations, responsibility is to the Managing Director for the development, implementation and management of computerised warehousing, distribution and stock control systems. Key objectives are the achievement and maintenance of levels of service to customers which will set new standards for the industry and to generate significant cost savings by more effective stock utilisation and manufacturing scheduling. Candidates will be graduates aged between 30 and 45, who can demonstrate success in the management of a substantial computerised warehousing and distribution facility, within a consumer products manufacturing environment.
A.D. Kelly, Ref: 44238/DT. 0632-327455.
4 Mosley Street, NEWCASTLE-UPON-TYNE, NE1 1DE.

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Industrial Consumables
Leeds

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PRODUCTION MANAGER £16,000 + car
Responsibility is for the implementation of the production programme within time, cost *and quality constraints, on continuous, fully automated production lines, in addition to* production scheduling and stock control. Candidates, high calibre engineers aged 30-40, and qualified to degree/HND level must demonstrate significant success in the management of a sophisticated high volume production operation, utilising computerised production control techniques. *Ref: 46015/DT.*
K.H. Thompson, 0632-327455,
4 Mosley Street, NEWCASTLE-UPON-TYNE, NE1 1DE.

Manufacturing Director

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A.D. Kelly, Ref: 44230/DT. 0632-327455,
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Design and Development Manager

Electro/Mechanical Products
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As part of a major international group, this division is achieving considerable growth of overseas sales. Responsible to the Engineering Director for the product design and development team of 70, this highly demanding position requires the ability to keep pace with technology whilst meeting stringent safety and contract deadline requirements. As a graduate engineer aged 35-45, you will have proven success in leading a technical team in systems or product design. This excellent opportunity will stretch your ability and match your longer term aspirations. Benefits are commensurate with a large group and include relocation assistance.
D.A. Teale, Ref: 30007/DT. 061-832 3500,
St. John's Court, 78 Gartside Street, MANCHESTER, M3 3EL.

Sales & Marketing Director

Industrial Lighting
North East, to £18,000 + incentive bonus + car

Our client, part of an established quoted group, is acknowledged as a leading international supplier of specialist industrial lighting to both the public and private sectors. Responsibility is for the development of sales and marketing strategy to maximise market penetration of existing, recently developed and proposed new products. The prime task is new business generation, by the preparation of detailed marketing plans, implemented by the motivation and control of the field sales force, marketing and sales administration teams, requiring extensive personal involvement, particularly with regard to key account negotiation. Candidates, graduate calibre qualified engineers aged between 35 and 50, will be ambitious commercially aware sales managers, already successful in the sale of engineered products to specifiers, contractors and end users in highly competitive industrial markets. Only those with excellent presence, determination and the self motivation to succeed in this demanding role need apply.
A.D. Kelly, Ref: 44231/DT. 0632-327455,
4 Mosley Street, NEWCASTLE-UPON-TYNE, NE1 1DE.

Senior Sales Executive

Building Components
London, package c.£16,000 + car + benefits

Our client, a successful British Company, is involved in supplying cladding systems and structural components for the building industry. The organisation now wishes to spearhead further expansion and appoint a key Sales Executive of real talent and flair. Ideally mid 30s+, you will have a proven sales record within the building industry, particularly related to specifying bodies such as architects, developers, local authorities and institutions. High credibility and integrity, plus a professional and comprehensive knowledge of the market, are essential. As befits a position of this standing, there is an excellent salary plus bonus and substantial benefits package.
J.A. Thomas, Ref: 14013/DT. 0532-448661,
7 Lisbon Square, LEEDS, LS1 4LZ.

Production Engineering Manager

East Midlands, negotiable package

The continued expansion and profitability of this manufacturer of office furniture and equipment have created a vacancy for a Production Engineering Manager. Reporting to the Production Director, the successful candidate will be responsible for all aspects of production engineering, with particular emphasis on process planning, incentive schemes and capital recommendations. Candidates, aged 30-40, should be qualified to HNC level and be able to demonstrate a progressive career record in production engineering, preferably, but not necessarily gained within the wood furniture industry. An attractive remuneration package will be negotiated, and relocation assistance is available if required.
R.R. Varley, Ref: 35388/DT. 021-622 2961,
Albany House, Hurst Street, BIRMINGHAM, B5 4BD.

Sales Professionals

Work Wear Rental Contracts
North West, South West, South Wales, West Midlands, S/E Midlands
Package c.£15,000 + car

A successful division of a major company, marketing work wear rental to industrial and commercial organisations in the UK, now wishes to appoint a number of key Territory Sales Professionals to aid further expansion. Reporting to the Sales Manager, responsibility will be to achieve targeted sales; ideally aged 25-35, you should have a proven sales background and the ability to negotiate at all levels. This is a superb opportunity for those looking to enhance their professional sales career and work in an environment where results are truly recognised by rewards. Benefits are as expected of a substantial British company and include a good basic salary and bonuses.
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Sales Professional

South Yorkshire/Midlands based, £11,500 + incentive + car

This company, an autonomous subsidiary of a major international group, was formed to exploit development in the field of computer aided dimensional systems and electronic measuring tools. Their new range of electronic instruments, one of which is utterly unique, has created the need for a Sales Engineer, preferably educated to HNC level, to introduce these quality products to end users and selected distributors nationwide. For the committed candidate with a proven record of success selling industrial products and a high degree of self motivation and initiative, it is the ideal opportunity to gain rapid career progression as part of a small, enthusiastic team. Success in the UK could lead to involvement abroad.
A. Hill, Ref: 52847/DT. 0742-731241,
Bank House, 100 Queen Street, SHEFFIELD, S1 2DW.

These positions are open to male or female candidates. Please telephone for a Personal History Form to the relevant office, quoting the appropriate reference.

Field Sales Manager

c. £14,500 Plus Car

Bowater Foil and Paper Products Ltd. is a leading and highly successful manufacturer and distributor of aluminium foil containers, paper cases and disposable board-ware for the U.K. Bakery, Food Processing and Catering Industries.

We have a vacancy for a Field Sales Manager who will be responsible for 7 regional sales representatives in the U.K. and who will assist directly with the servicing of some of our major accounts.

Applicants for this key appointment should be over 35 years of age and should have a proven track record of sales achievement and leadership in the Food Processing, Catering or Packaging Industries.

Career prospects are excellent and appropriate relocation assistance to the Sunbury area will be available.

Please write, with full career details, to:-
Mr. J. S. Pamment, Sales Director, Bowater Foil and Paper Products Ltd., French Street, Sunbury-on-Thames, Middlesex TW16 5JQ.

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- flexibility in organising a multi-shift labour force
- belief in the need for training and development at shop-floor and supervisor level

Additionally, and of prime importance, will be your ability to ensure that production keeps one step ahead of market needs in developing the very profitable range of custom designed products which are the corner-stone of future growth.

Experience and professionalism are the requirements for this position - age is a secondary consideration.

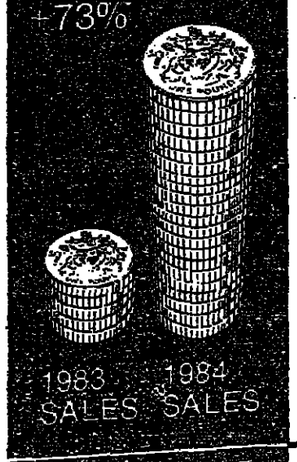
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The company is committed to becoming *No. 1. In this market within the next 3* years and this objective will be realised by the continued success of its existing products and the launch of a number of additional new products.

THE POSITIONS
The company wishes to recruit four additional sales professionals to promote its products in the following areas:-

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THE CANDIDATES
The successful candidates, aged between 23-40, will probably be experienced *pharmaceutical or f.m.c.g. sales professionals, with a successful record of* personal achievement. Previous experience of promoting products to retail pharmacies would also be advantageous. However, we will also consider applications from candidates without sales experience provided you offer an outstanding combination of drive, inter-personal skills and the commitment to win. For the LONDON vacancy a certain degree of mobility will be required and consequently this is ideally suited to a single person.

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The successful applicant will be required to assume responsibility to the General Manager, for the overall engineering maintenance function and to advise management of future investment in capital equipment. Experience in line management and in the supervision of maintenance personnel is essential.

The position offers an attractive salary and benefit package which includes a car. Requests for an application form should be made by telephone to the Engineering Secretary or in writing and addressed to the Director/General Manager,

Walton Container Terminal Ltd,
The Dock,
Felixstowe,
Suffolk IP11 8SG.
Tel: (0394) 275911.

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An out going personality is therefore essential as are a mature professional approach and strong leadership qualities. Aged 25-35, you will demonstrate a natural empathy for the motor industry and its commercial operations, backed up by a minimum of 2 years experience within a demanding sales environment.

The terms and conditions of employment are particularly attractive and, of course, include a business car. Relocation costs will be covered where appropriate.

Put your career on the right track now by writing in confidence with a full C.V. and current salary to:

Liz Yates,
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UK and Eire Sales and Marketing,
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The following opportunities exist:

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As the Division's authority on software, to introduce new software techniques and languages and develop improved software standards and practices.

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Software Design Engineers
At Senior and Intermediate levels.

The Electronics Division of Normalair-Garrett is a centre of technological competence, meeting the special needs of aerospace and industry, but located in the open space country of the West Country. This excellent combination has contributed to our status as Europe's leading supplier of state-of-the-art data recording and control systems with markets that span the world. From the United States, large production orders continue to be placed for our F-18 aircraft maintenance data recorder, while from Hong Kong and several other countries there are growing orders for the "Metermate" multi-channel recorder used by electricity supply agencies.

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Encompasses the design and development of digital and analogue circuits for use in solid state data acquisition, recording and replay systems or environmental control and life support systems for demanding aerospace and industrial applications.

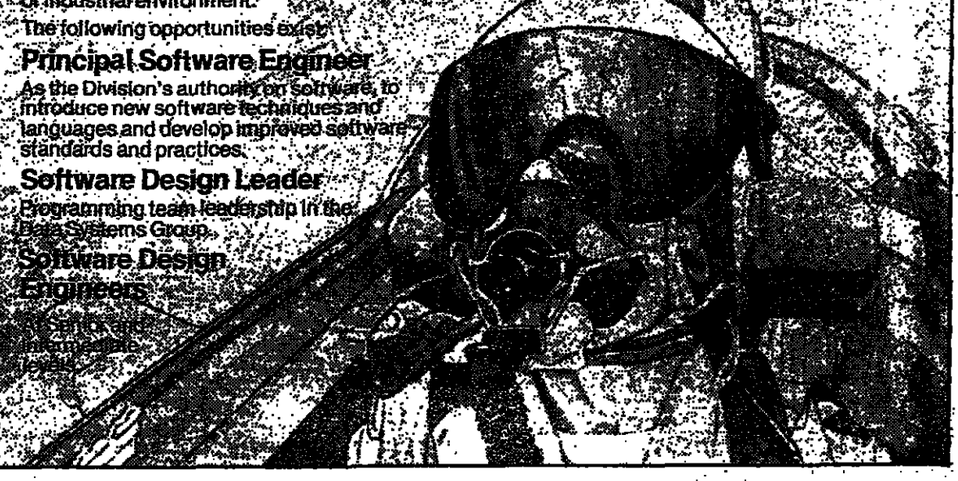
Experienced in work of this kind and educated to HNC level or above. Knowledge of MoD Forces/MIL contract standards, experience of designing for high radiation environments or design of special purpose A.T.E. would be of particular interest.

The salary and benefits package, which includes relocation to Somerset - fast becoming a highly attractive high technology area - reflects the vital importance the Company places on these positions. Please telephone or send full career details to Roger Gard, Personnel Manager, Normalair-Garrett Limited, Yeovil, Somerset. Telephone (0935) 75181 ext 3361 or 3165.

If you are experienced at a senior level in the Aerospace or related industries and are interested in other opportunities with Normalair-Garrett apart from those listed in this advertisement please write with full career details to Carol P Heare, Management Selection Division, PER, Minster House, 272 Bath Road, Bristol BS4 3AY.

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PER MANAGEMENT SELECTION



PROCESS ENGINEERS – OPPORTUNITIES IN MARKETING

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Due to our continuing business expansion we have created two excellent career opportunities within our central marketing team for Process Engineers who wish to expand their career into a commercial and marketing role.

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Previous sales or marketing experience would be advantageous. Candidates must possess excellent communication skills and a strong desire to succeed in a highly competitive market. Although both posts are U.K. based you will also have regular opportunities for travel overseas.

MARKET MANAGER – HYGIENE

You will be dealing with the food, drinks and pharmaceutical industries and your experience gained should be supported by knowledge of plant operations and an understanding of the related processes and functions within a food or related plant. Candidates should be educated to degree standard ideally with an engineering or science background.

MARKET MANAGER – PETROCHEMICALS

Candidates will have gained their experience in the Petrochemical industry with operational experience of a process unit or a plant engineering services role. An engineering or science related degree is required together with a good knowledge of operations in oil and downstream activities.

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The interests of the Crystalate Group, which now include the activities of Welwyn Electronics, cover a wide spectrum of the electronics market.

At the heart of the Group's philosophy is a commitment to the manufacture of high quality products to maintain its lead in the many technologies in which the Group's 3,000 employees have developed special skills, with emphasis placed on those product areas which have the greatest growth potential.

Crystalate's strength is founded on the development and manufacture of components for the telecommunications and consumer electronics industries. Components will continue to be important in the Group's future, but increasingly, resources are being directed towards the manufacture of sub-assemblies and complete products.

Autonomous operating divisions manufacture for, and supply to, the telecommunications, data processing, aerospace, defence, energy, fire and security, and general electronics markets. With a sound reputation based on cost-effective quality control, the Group is now increasing its penetration into automotive electronics, automatic control systems and microprocessor technology.

The positions now vacant are based at our locations throughout the U.K., and demand technical capability, together with the drive and commitment that is so vital to Crystalate's continuing success.

For full details of Crystalate's operations, and the individual positions, please contact Brenda Horton at our Group Headquarters.

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The important requirements for the job are:

- a degree level qualification in Chemistry or Chemical Engineering;
- the ability to manage people in a production environment;
- sound decision making on operational matters affecting the plants.

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Applications from suitably qualified candidates, giving full details of education, career to date and current remuneration should be sent to:

Mr. I. Keeling, Works Manager, Laporte Fluorides, Gin House Lane, Rotherham, S. Yorkshire, S61 4QH.

LAPORTE Fluorides

Customer Services Assistant Manager

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Please write with full career details to Brenda Morgan at L'Oréal, 30 Kensington Church Street, London W8 4HA. Tel: 01-937 5454.

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Candidates should ideally be based in the London area and have field sales experience, preferably gained in the copier industry although relevant management experience gained in the office equipment field would be considered.

A package comprising salary, commission and bonus, in the above region would be negotiable, in addition to a company car. Other benefits include life assurance, family BUPA Scheme and permanent health insurance. Relocation expenses will be available if necessary.

Interviews will be held locally, but in the first instance please write giving career details to:- H.N.M. Payton, General Manager - Personnel, Sharp Electronics (UK) Limited, Sharp House, Thorp Road, Manchester M10 9BE.

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You'll be degree qualified in Chemical Engineering and a member, or working towards membership of the Institute of Chemical Engineers. Ideally, you'll have a minimum three years' experience in your field, although we are also interested in hearing from younger degree qualified Engineers wishing to further their careers with a top-flight, expanding company. Appointment will be at Senior Engineer or Engineer level, according to qualifications and experience. We also offer the comprehensive benefits package expected of an international leader, along with genuine career prospects. Relocation assistance is available, if applicable.

Male or female applicants please telephone for an application form, or write enclosing a comprehensive C.V. and stating your area of interest, to the Personnel Department, Costain Petrocarbon Limited, Petrocarbon House, Sharston Road, Manchester M22 4TB. Telephone: 061-998 7000.

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Service Manager

ENGINEERING EQUIPMENT

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Reporting directly to the Board, this is a senior career position with a substantial internationally renowned organisation which manufactures and markets a wide range of sophisticated engineering equipment. The role therefore will appeal to a 35–45 year old practical engineer of HNC level who has a sound understanding of state-of-the-art technology, particularly related to plant and equipment. Candidates should have a background in production coupled with field experience of engineering equipment and man management. An attractive benefits package will be negotiated and will include assistance with relocation where necessary.

For a confidential application form, male or female candidates should ring or write quoting reference number 743. DT. Telephone (24 hours) 0625 533364.

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Eagle Star House, The Avenue, Road, Wilmslow, Cheshire SK9 1QX. Tel: 0625 [illegible]

The Diocese of London

Deputy General Secretary

Operating a budget of about £5m a year the Diocese administers a range of activities connected with the work of the Church of England. The responsibility for administration falls to the General Secretary of the Diocese.

The Diocese wishes to recruit a Deputy General Secretary, whose task will be to support the General Secretary in the day to day administration of the Diocese.

He or she will probably be a qualified accountant or chartered secretary in the age group 45 to 55.

Experience in budgeting and budgetary control is essential, knowledge of computerised accounts systems is important. Exposure to property transactions would be an advantage.

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Applicants should write in confidence with full details or telephone (24 hour answering service) 01-499 1948 for a personal history form quoting ref C/600/2.

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Technical Manager

Australia

Salary circa A$40000 + car + benefits

Besco Batteries of Sydney, Australia, are successful manufacturers of electro-chemical products and market leaders in technology development.

Their Technical Manager is retiring at the end of 1985, which creates a vacancy for a person to be responsible for implementing product research, process development, quality control and engineering. The role involves the leadership, motivation and guidance of about twenty technical and engineering staff as well as negotiation with some national accounts and selected suppliers. Some interstate and overseas travel will be required.

Applicants should have a Degree in Engineering or Chemical discipline together with a sound knowledge of quality assurance procedures, statistical recording and reporting systems. Industry experience would be very well regarded, as would evidence of management skills.

Ideally the successful candidate should work with the present incumbent for 6 to 9 months before his retirement.

Applications, which should be marked 'Private and Confidential', should include a full CV and be forwarded to the person named below, following which a short list will be drawn up and interviews held in the UK in early April.

Mr. R. Bastow, Personnel Director,
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You will have considerable Marketing experience in the hospital supply or medical device industry and be in the 28 years to 35 years age range with a formal Marketing or related qualification. You may have already led part of a Marketing Team through being a Senior Product Manager and are now awaiting the opportunity to take responsibility for the full range of Marketing Services activities.

Based in the pleasant coastal town of Hythe, the position will attract a competitive salary, Company car, relocation expenses, where appropriate, and other benefits commensurate with a position at this level.

Please write enclosing a brief but comprehensive C.V. which should include current salary to:

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c £8,500
East Midlands

Are you a successful and go ahead Sales Engineer with the desire and ability to manage a small sales/service team? Do you hold an HND or degree in an engineering discipline with the self motivation to improve your career prospects through success?

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The position carries a company car, free medical insurance and assistance with relocation to the East Midlands area if appropriate.

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Send full cv to Jo Hughes, PER, Suite 5B, 71-75 High Street, Chislehurst, Kent BR7 5AG.

Opportunities in Dorking

Situated just off the M25, by the lovely Surrey Downs, Dorking is the location of the modern Head Office of Cronton & Garry, a leading and fast growing manufacturer and distributor of chemicals, specialising in the production and marketing of raw materials, fillers and additives. Our customer base spans a wide range of industrial sectors from plastics and rubber to surface coatings to food and pharmaceuticals - and we are growing fast! We are extending our Head Office and opened a new factory in Wales in March. This expansion has led to the creation of the following opportunities:-

Technical Sales Representative - Cosmetics, Toiletries, Chemical Industries

To £12,000 including profit share + car

Your brief will be to maintain and develop sales of chemical raw materials and additives to the cosmetics, toiletries and chemical industries throughout the UK. You will be in your twenties, qualified to HNC/degree level with relevant industrial experience. Ambitious, hardworking and with good communicative skills, you will possess the ability to work as part of a well-organised team. Previous sales experience would be an advantage. There are real prospects of career progression.

Technical Sales Representative - Thermosetting Resin & GRP Industries

To £12,000 including profit share + car

This is an exceptional opportunity for an ambitious person with suitable technical experience and qualifications. You will be responsible for sales to the thermosetting and GRP industries countrywide. Aged probably in your mid-twenties to early thirties you will be self-motivated and hard working. Your knowledge of thermosetting resins will be supported by a technical/chemical qualification. If you have sales experience so much the better. If not, your ambition should be to pursue a career in a technically orientated commercial environment.

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To £12,000 + benefits

Our expanding computer department provides a fully integrated accounting and sales administration facility, encompassing all our major systems. We now need an additional programmer/analyst for our IBM System 36. You will have one-two years' experience of RPG II on this computer, enhanced by some analytical expertise. Knowledge of GFAS/DMAS software packages would be beneficial although not essential.

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Please send your cv in confidence together with a hand-written letter of application to Max Hart, Croxton & Garry Ltd, Cards Road, Dorking, Surrey RH4 1XA.

Technical Sales

Polyurethane

Excellent salary + car · Somerset based

Avalon Chemicals is a leading manufacturer of polyurethane systems, and wishes to appoint an enthusiastic Sales Representative to further develop our customer base within the UK and abroad. You should have sound experience in the chemical/polymer industry and be capable of discussing technical and commercial aspects of the business. Previous sales or technical service experience is essential as is the ability to work on your own initiative. The post offers the opportunity for worldwide travel for candidates wishing to broaden their experience. Benefits include non-contributory pension scheme and company car.
Please write with full cv to Mr P Loyley, Sales Manager, Avalon Chemicals Co Limited, Hitchin Lane, Shepton Mallet, Somerset.

Technical Sales Representative

Industrial Finishing Department

An opportunity exists for a Representative with a proven sales record to join a progressive expanding international chemical company. The successful applicant will be expected to sell and service Harshaw processes in the South East of England and so would require in addition to excellent sales skills a knowledge of modern finishing technology. The position carries a high level of remuneration and, in addition, fringe benefits such as company car, telephone expenses, BUPA, contributory pension scheme, and expense allowances etc, are provided. Candidates should be aged between 25-40 years old and five or be prepared to five in the area. Full relocation expenses will be paid.
Please write with details to:
Mr C C Postins,
Harshaw Chemicals Ltd,
PO Box 4, Daventry,
Northants NN11 4HF.

HARSHAW Harshaw Chemicals Limited

Sales Executives

Window Industry

Attractive salary + car · Various locations

Supplying insulating glass units, curtain walling and aluminium windows, this successful division of the Triplex Group needs sales professionals in the Home Counties, North West, North East and Scotland. Servicing existing commercial/contract customers and developing new business, you will have proven experience of selling to local authorities, architects, specifiers, contractors etc. Knowledge of window systems advantageous. Successful, committed professionals will be offered a very competitive "package" by this very progressive organisation.
CV to Mr R Bunker, Marketing Executive, Thermo Vitrium Ltd, PO Box 7, Broadway, Hyde, Cheshire SK14 4QW.

Engineering Purchasing Manager

c£15,000 + car · West Midlands

This dynamic company, part of an international group and manufacturer of components for the vehicle industry in both home and overseas markets, is currently undergoing a period of major re-organisation and capital investment. This has resulted in a total re-structuring of the purchasing organisation and a vacancy now exists for an Engineering Purchasing Manager to play a key role in the capital expenditure programme. The jobholder will manage a small team of Engineering Buyers, whose primary function will be to provide a plant and equipment purchasing service to the UK factories. Ideally applicants should have an HND or degree level qualification in an engineering, scientific or numerate discipline together with purchasing experience, although applicants with general business qualifications and relevant engineering experience would be considered. Benefits in line with major company and relocation expenses will be provided as necessary.
Send full cv to Brough Curtis, PER, 150 Corporation Street, Birmingham B4 6TB.

Cost Accounting Manager

c£14,000 · Hertfordshire

My client, a leading engineering company, part of a large multi-national, is now seeking a fully qualified Cost Accounting Manager. Aged 25-35, ACMA qualified, you will cover the full spectrum of cost accounting responsibilities and participate fully in the business planning process. Experience of staff supervision would be useful as you will be required to supervise a small but enthusiastic team. Knowledge of computerised financial systems would also be an advantage. A salary of c£14,000 is offered plus benefits. Relocation assistance will be offered where necessary.
Send full cv to Jill Warner, PER, 14-16 Chapel Street, Luton, Beds LU1 2SU.

Technical Sales Representatives

Five figure salary + car · North West and South West England

STORAC, a long established manufacturer of racking systems, loading bay equipment and scissor lift tables require Sales Representatives for the above areas. This is an excellent opportunity for either experienced sales people or for applicants with a technical background in storage/handling systems to join this progressive company. Candidates will ideally be under 35. An attractive basic salary together with open-ended commission, car and other benefits offer an excellent earning potential.
Write with cv to Mr J C Gibson, Sales Director, Storage & Access Systems Limited, Ashmead Road, Keynsham, Bristol BS18 1SJ.

STORAC

Sales Executive

£11,000 - £12,000 + car · UK

My client, a Midlands producer of glass products for industrial and retail outlets, seeks a Sales Executive to market a standard range of products nationwide. Ideally up to 35, an able salesperson with an awareness of fmcg distribution, he/she will be able to discover new clients and develop a new product range. Interested?
Send full cv to Margaret Gripton, PER, 150 Corporation Street, Birmingham B4 6TB.

Design & Development Engineer

Attractive salary + benefits · Co Durham

Flymo, part of the Electrolux Manufacturing Group, are the largest manufacturers of quality lawn mowers in Western Europe. Due to further expansion an opportunity has arisen for a Design and Development Engineer, electrical/mechanical, qualified to HNC/degree level, who will be responsible for new product development from inception to final production. Generous remuneration package and relocation expenses.
Send full cv to John Brady, PER, 1st Floor, Rede House, Corporation Road, Middlesbrough, Cleveland TS1 1TN.

Flymo

Designer/Draughtsperson

c£10,000 · Gillingham, Kent

A UK leading manufacturer of machines for the metalworking and woodworking industries has achieved success through extending the product range to cater for international market requirements. Key areas will be to review, research and develop existing and new products; produce designs to specification and price and supervise the production of prototypes. Aged around 28-35, candidates should have a background of original design drawing office, ideally from a light capital goods industry.
Send full cv to Barbara Hunter, PER, 5 London Road, Maidstone ME16 8HR.

Engineering Division Manager

Instrumentation

NE England

Haden Moore Engineering Limited are instrumentation and electrical engineers and contractors engaged in a variety of work both on and offshore. 1985 turnover will exceed £10m and we are moving to new premises in April as part of our plan for further profitable expansion. We are seeking a new Manager for the engineering division to control and guide the staff engaged on its current work and to assist the Managing Director in the realisation of major development plans. Candidates should be graduate or chartered engineers in a related discipline who have held senior positions entailing both commercial and technical responsibilities for design, tender preparation and project management. A wide range of experience in the application of industrial control systems is required and there is no upper age limit. Salary is negotiable, benefits include company motor car, BUPA membership and contributory pension scheme. Applications should detail how the needs of this senior position would be met and addressed to:
Malcolm W Hipple - Managing Director, Haden Moore Engineering Ltd, Pennine House, 48 West Street, Middlesbrough, Cleveland TS2 1LZ.

Mechanical Engineer

c£15,000 · Cheshire

This small, very successful international company is involved in the transportation of irradiated fuel from power stations to re-processing plants in the UK and Europe and also designs and manufactures the equipment needed for this highly specialised job. This position involves joining a small team engaged in the design of transport flasks and equipment. You will be responsible for specific engineering projects from problem definition stage to detail design and manufacture. This work will require close liaison with other specialists and some analysis work will be necessary. Aged 30/40, with a degree in mechanical engineering, you should have proven ability to complete multi-disciplinary projects. Experience in the analysis of structures using finite element techniques is required and an appreciation of pressure vessel codes would be an advantage. An excellent package is on offer and there are genuine future prospects as the company continues to grow.
Contact Lynne Delaney, PER, 75 Sankey Street, Warrington, Cheshire WA1 1SL. Tel: (0925) 52153.

Divisional Accountants

c£13,000 · Leeds

This highly successful group - a leading supplier and manufacturer of lighting products - needs two talented young Accountants as part of an expansion programme. Each job carries responsibility to the Chief Accountant for the accounting function of a division of the company. This will include appraising all current procedures and the provision of detailed management information to ensure the profitability of the division is constantly reviewed. The jobs are ideal for young, recently qualified Accountants with industrial experience, self-motivation, real business acumen and entrepreneurial flair. Salaries and benefits are excellent and this fast growing organisation offers exciting prospects.
Send full cv to Selwyn Jones, PER, Pennine House, Russell Street, Leeds LS1 5UF. Tel: (0532) 445131.

Production Manager

£10,500 - £12,500 · East Midlands

Ever increasing demand for this company's high quality products means significant expansion over the next five years. You will join a major food processing organisation at an exciting stage in its future development. This will involve controlling a complex production operation and maintaining the most demanding standards of quality and output. Aged over 30 you should have sound management experience gained in the fresh food processing industry ideally in the area of meat production. Salary will depend on age and experience and first-class benefits include generous relocation assistance. Interested?
Send full cv to Pam Stickney, PER, Lambert House East, Clarendon Street, Nottingham NG1 5NS.

Sales Representatives

c£10,000 · 1) South Wales 2) Somerset/Avon

Two of the greatest opportunities to sell packaging with the backing of a major Swedish paper group. Both territories possess a sound core of existing business with plenty of potential for growth. Candidates of between 25 and 40 years, should have a record of commercial success and selling experience. A Cavalier 1600L will be provided together with BUPA membership plus 25 days' annual holiday.
Applications to: Shearer Sellars, Sales Director, Dolan Corrugated Containers (Bristol) Limited, Avon Street, Bristol BS2 0PU. Tel: (0272) 290215.

Sales Executives

Negotiable salaries + car + commission
1) Yorkshire & Humberside
2) Oxon, Wessex, SW England

Vygon (UK) Ltd are market leaders in medical/surgical disposables to the health care industry, specifically hospitals. Positions involve selling to established accounts. Candidates aged 25-35, should have previous relevant experience or be qualified technicians/nurses with experience in theatres or high dependency areas, and possess the drive and zest to succeed in a sales environment. Attractive basic salary, excellent commission, first-class training, BUPA and pension scheme.
Phone Peter McMahon, PER Gloucester, on (0452) 35525.

Sales Opportunity

Attractive salary package · Derby

Engineering professional required for sales of metal processing equipment to metal producing and finishing industries in UK and Europe. Looking for career development in sales?
Send full cv to Carole Tansley, PER, Lambert House East, Clarendon Street, Nottingham, or phone (0602) 419781.

Proposals Engineer

Brewery & Dairy Industries

West London

This is an excellent opportunity for a young Proposals Engineer to join a company firmly established as market leaders through the quality and reliability of its equipment. You will follow up enquiries from brewery and dairy customers for plate heat exchangers, pasteurisers etc, preparing quotations and assisting sales engineers as required. Involvement in final design of plant or equipment, and supervising installation will also be part of your brief. Your degree in chemical or mechanical engineering should have been followed by two/three years' experience working with thermal equipment, ideally in a brewing or dairy environment. You will be expected to exercise effective cost control and to liaise confidently with internal and external contacts. A competitive salary and comprehensive benefits will be offered to someone with the background we seek.
Send full cv or telephone for an application form to Mrs Ann Fenton, Senior Personnel Officer, Alfa-Laval Company Ltd, Great West Rd, Brentford, Middlesex. (01) 560 1221.

ALFA-LAVAL

Trader

c£9,000 · Paddock Wood, Kent

With a more flexible approach in the trading of hops, new markets are in need of servicing. A new trading department is being created and requires additional personnel. The main areas of responsibility will be to ensure contracts are efficiently allocated and delivered; to continually review current trading situations; to respond effectively to all enquiries. The ability to grasp new concepts, develop systems and contribute to the department's growth is essential. Candidates should also possess staff-management and first class communication skills and an understanding of trading, buying and selling of commodities or services.
Send full cv to Barbara Hunter, PER, 5 London Road, Maidstone ME16 8HR.

Sales Professional

Top basic + bonus + car · N Home Counties

Bahco Record Tools Ltd is the most exciting company in the hand tool trade with continued success built on manufacturing and selling quality hand tools. We wish to expand our sales force and need a self-motivated, determined, enthusiastic Sales Professional to sell the UK brand leaders: Record, Marples, Gilbow, Ridgway, Bahco and Lindstrom in this prime territory. The right person will sell to tool wholesalers, retailers and engineering distributors and be able to communicate effectively with important tool users in industry, education and specialist areas. Probably 25-35 and based in the St. Albans area, you need to be a true sales professional with a proven record of gaining new business and developing existing accounts. Hand tool experience is not essential - product training will be given.
Please write with relevant details to Personnel Officer, Bahco Record Tools Ltd, Parkway Works, Sheffield S9 3BL.

Warehouse and Distribution Manager

c£12,500 · St Neots

Samuel Jones and Company Limited, a subsidiary of the Wiggins Teape Group of Papermakers, has a vacancy for a Warehouse and Distribution Manager. Based at St Neots, Cambridgeshire, on a very attractive site, we are one of the largest paper converting factories in Europe, and make an extensive range of adhesives and adhesive paper products for an expanding market in Europe. The company is currently in the midst of a multi-million pound capital investment programme. The job holder will be expected to manage a finished goods warehouse which distributes a high tonnage of goods per week, to both UK and export customers. In addition, the job covers the management of the sample and label printing section, together with a fleet of eight commercial vehicles. The warehouse is being reorganised and further changes are planned including the computerisation of stock location and order processing systems. Candidates must have several years' warehousing and distribution experience and should be educated to degree level. Experience in managing people in a unionised environment is essential. The preferred age range is 28 - 35 years and the successful candidate will be capable of further career progression within the Wiggins Teape Group. The terms and conditions of employment are good and include 25 days' annual holiday, a non-contributory pension scheme, free BUPA membership and life assurance cover. Relocation expenses will be paid if necessary and housing in the area is reasonably priced.
Write or telephone for an application form to the Personnel Department, Samuel Jones & Co Ltd, St Neots, Cambs. PE19 4ER. Telephone Huntingdon (0480) 75351.

WIGGINS TEAPE

Sales Engineer

c£11,000 + comm + car · London/H Counties

Successful in selling low voltage switchgear, control panels and metal fabrications with your established industrial contacts? Looking for advancement? After 12 months successful selling in the above area you will become General Manager/Director Designate at company headquarters in the West Midlands. However, you will need to demonstrate the high qualities required for this position.
Send full cv to Doug Knowles, PER, 150 Corporation Street, Birmingham, B4 6TB.

Export Sales Representative

Bristol based

Colodense, a major company in flexible packaging and a BCL subsidiary, seeks an Export Sales Representative to retain and develop the company's substantial overseas markets. Reporting to the Export Manager you will work closely with overseas agents, etc, which will involve travel to tropical and sub-tropical areas of the world. Candidates must be fluent in French and should have a background in sales with preferably some experience in export selling. Full training and product support will be provided but ability to work on own initiative is still essential. Rewards include attractive salary, car, major company benefits package and relocation assistance where appropriate.
Application forms from: Mr R C Crocker, Personnel Manager, Colodense, West Street, Bedminster, Bristol BS3 3NX.

Technical Management

Leading headwear manufacturers, Kangol Wear Limited's main production units are in West Cumbria. They operate in a fast moving fashion industry and are a vertical organisation geared to rapid product and technical changes. A Technical Manager is required for the factory dealing with the making-up and assembly of knitted components. Reporting to the Production Director the duties, which involve close liaison with management of design, production and engineering, include:

1. Production of initial sampling for new ranges and the determination and publishing of formal technical and production specifications.
2. Technical acceptance of purpose built manufacturing plant including hat shaping equipment designed "in-house".
3. Quality control of "bought-in" materials and liaison with suppliers.
4. Introduction of a factory quality control system.

The ideal candidate will be able to demonstrate a practical approach to problem solving and should have an in-depth knowledge of the behaviour of textile structures. However an engineering, production/development background within the textile industry may be equally relevant. Qualifications: degree - ATI level preferred but not essential.
The negotiable salary will reflect the importance of this post; a company car will be provided and additional benefits.
Send full cv to Pam James, PER, Victoria House, Ormskirk Road, Preston, Lancs PR1 2DX.

KANGOL

Sales Engineers

Required by leading, established machine tool and garage equipment distributor in Saudi Arabia. Responsible for controlling sales at branch level and increasing sales targets. You should be an apprentice trained engineer with proven sales experience. ONC qualifications would be useful.

Services Engineer

To service garage equipment (electronic testing). You should be apprenticeship trained with five years' experience servicing electronic testing equipment.

All posts offer good prospects, basic negotiable salary and bonus, free bachelor accommodation, company car and 30 days' leave per year with air fare paid.
Send full cv and passport sized photo to Richard Williams, PER Overseas, 4th Floor, Rex House, 4-12 Regent Street, London SW1Y 4PP. (01) 930 6575.

MANAGER, FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION

A qualified accountant with a minimum of 3 years' post-qualification experience is required to provide a management accounting service to the transmitter department (annual budget of £31m p.a. and 900 staff). Duties include monitoring financial performance, reducing costs, developing performance indicators, preparing budgets and financial cases and acting as point of reference for transmitter managers widely dispersed throughout the U.K. on all financial and administrative procedures. Tact and initiative needed in developing a close working relationship with this team of professional engineers.

Salary in the range of £12,000 – £14,000 according to qualifications and experience. Based Central London. Relocation expenses considered.

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- ☐ N. Yorks.
- ☐ Northants
- ☐ Sussex
- ☐ East London
- ☐ Essex

Realistically, you should earn £12–15,000 in your first year with the probability of much more once you are established. A car, generous expenses and other top benefits are included in our excellent package.
Please telephone or write to: John Hiriart, Sales and Marketing Manager, Allied Manufacturing Co. (London) Ltd., Sarena House, Grove Park, Colindale, London NW9 0BE. Tel: 01-205 8844.

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CONTRACTS OFFICERS

The continued growth of GEC Avionics necessitates the enlargement of Contracts teams at Rochester and Borehamwood. Contracts officers are responsible for drawing-up and scrutinising contract conditions; preparing quotations for approval and submission to customers; assisting in negotiations and monitoring contract progress.

A good educational background and an ability to communicate clearly with people at all levels both verbally and in writing are essential. Experience of dealing with UK or USA Government defence contracts would be an advantage. Training will be provided where necessary.

A competitive salary package is enhanced by good promotional prospects.

Please write with full CV to Brian Rogers, GEC Avionics Limited, Airport Works, Maidstone Road, Rochester, Kent ME1 2XX. Telephone Medway (0634) 44400 ext. 465.

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National Accounts Manager

c.£15,000 + car — *F.M.C.G.*

Our client, a national company within a public group, and selling in one of the largest food markets, has the above managerial vacancy based in the Home Counties.

This appointment will involve negotiating at the highest level with major multiple accounts for the supply of leading branded and own label products. Previous experience at a senior level in selling f.m.c.g. is essential.

This position is open to male or female candidates, anticipated age range 28/38. There are the usual benefits associated with working for a major company including relocation expenses where appropriate.

Please apply in writing to Confidential Reply Service, Ref: AEN 582, Austin Knight Advertising UK Limited, 66A High Street, Egham, Surrey TW20 9EY.

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Austin Knight Advertising — EGHAM

My client is a strong, independent Company within a diverse public group, which, for a number of years has consistently achieved market and profit growth, and is recognised by its parent company as a 'core' business. The Company has a wide product range which it designs, manufactures, markets and sells within the business sector. It is now embarking on another major expansion with new, high growth products.

They have identified the following two appointments open to men or women.

Product Manager

c.£15,000 + a car + benefits

Candidates for this key position should be graduates in their 20's to early 30's who have a good understanding of marketing and profit awareness possibly with a large company, and who would like to develop this understanding in a wider-ranging role. In particular the purpose of the job is to lead the development and implementation of marketing business policies to maximise profitable growth of a major product range.

Marketing Analysis Manager

c.£12,500 + benefits

This new appointment will particularly appeal to graduates in their early 20's who have a good understanding of statistics and market research methods. The Company has identified the need to base its market and business policies on clearly understood sales and market information carried through to effective market policy conclusions.

The company is based south of the Thames within easy access of London and the benefits offered include assistance with relocation if necessary.

Please send, in the first instance, your full c.v. and salary details to Hugh Kingwell, Consultant, Austin Knight Selection, 20 Soho Square, London W1A 1DS quoting ref: 145/HK/85

Please indicate any companies that you would not wish your application forwarded to.

Austin Knight Selection — LONDON

Balfour Kilpatrick Limited, a major international contractor, requires additional staff for major power station contracts within the UK.

Cabling Design Engineers

Applicants must have experience of power station cabling design on either coal fired or nuclear stations.

Planning Engineers

In order to work at the interface of production and planning at a major Scottish site, there is a need for engineers with both site supervisory and planning experience.

Suitably qualified applicants (male or female) are invited to submit full c.v., specifying position of interest, to the Personnel Manager, Balfour Kilpatrick Limited, Special Projects Division, Glasgow Road, Deanside, Renfrew, Scotland PA4 8X2.

BK

Technical Representative

East Coast of Scotland

Mobil, one of the largest manufacturers of high quality lubricants in the UK requires a Technical Representative for a territory on the East Coast of Scotland.

The successful development (and retention) of new business opportunities, and the maintenance of substantial existing business, are equally vital to this service orientated company, where sales results are judged against high standards.

The ideal applicant; male or female, will have a proven sales record, an engineering background, be qualified to HNC — Degree level (minimum); with experience of selling consumables or capital equipment with a broad field of applications to industrial customers. You will be aged between 28 and 40 and will be able to demonstrate the necessary blend of technical acumen and commercial awareness to develop applications for our wide range of high quality oil products and services.

An attractive salary is offered, together with the benefits to be expected from one of the world's major oil companies. Assistance towards relocation expenses will be considered.

Please send full c.v. including present salary and any dates unavailable for interviews over the next few weeks to P. J. Johnston, Employee Relations, Mobil Oil Company Limited, 54/60 Victoria Street, London SW1E 6QB.

Mobil

Sales Manager — Europe

c.£20K plus car — *South of England*

Our client, a medium sized, private and profitable market leader, manufactures electronic components which are sold into OEMs throughout the world. A sales professional is required to be responsible for the UK and Europe, necessitating short-stay trips abroad.

Ideal candidates (male or female) will be of graduate calibre with a proven track record of technical selling in the UK and overseas; fluency in German is desirable, but not essential. The attractive benefits package includes relocation expenses if appropriate. Please apply in confidence to Roy Sheppersonat GTF Consulting Group Limited, Gothic House, Barker Gate, Nottingham. Tel: 0602 505923.

GTF Consulting Group Ltd.

Personnel Manager UK

Salary c.£17K plus car

Our client is a major US multi-national high-tech company with mature international experience.

Based near Croydon, this position within the Information Systems Group carries multi-location responsibility in the UK.

Involvement spans the full range of specialist activities, affording substantial autonomy in a dynamic technical and sales environment.

Experience as a generalist should be supported by a particular interest in compensation/benefits. Reporting to the European Personnel Director, this expertise may lead to an increasing involvement within the Group's other European locations.

Candidates, male or female, should have a minimum of six years' relevant experience.

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Austin Knight Advertising — EGHAM

Assistant Manager — Steel Trading

£15,000 neg. + car — *Bilingual in French*

We are part of a large international group with our office in Slough. Our business is in trading steel and related products in Africa and Europe and due to an expansion programme, we require an Assistant Manager to help develop new markets and products.

The successful candidate (male or female) will be expected to speak fluent French and have a proven track record in steel trading.

Substantial overseas travel will be necessary and usual large company benefits will be offered for this responsible position. Please apply in writing with full career details and present salary to: M. Milloy, John Palmer Steel Ltd., 1A Albert Street, Slough, Berks. SL1 2BH.

High Technology Electronics

South Coast

Our Client, a major electronics company, is looking to widen and develop its markets in a very competitive environment and has the following requirements.

Sales Executive

A young, able, highly motivated sales professional with a sound knowledge and experience of electronics, plus a proven record of sales success ideally in Computer Peripherals. Extensive travel within the UK is envisaged for which a company car is provided. Preferred age range is 26-34. *Ref: AJE 9189.*

Contracts Managers/Officers

To liaise and negotiate with customers at all commercial levels. Experience must include pricing and preparation of quotations together with the administration of UK Government and commercial contracts. Travel within the UK will be involved. *Ref: BJE 9189.*

We offer experienced men and women highly competitive salary and benefits packages in addition to a progressive working environment.

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Austin Knight Advertising — LONDON

Electronic Component Evaluation

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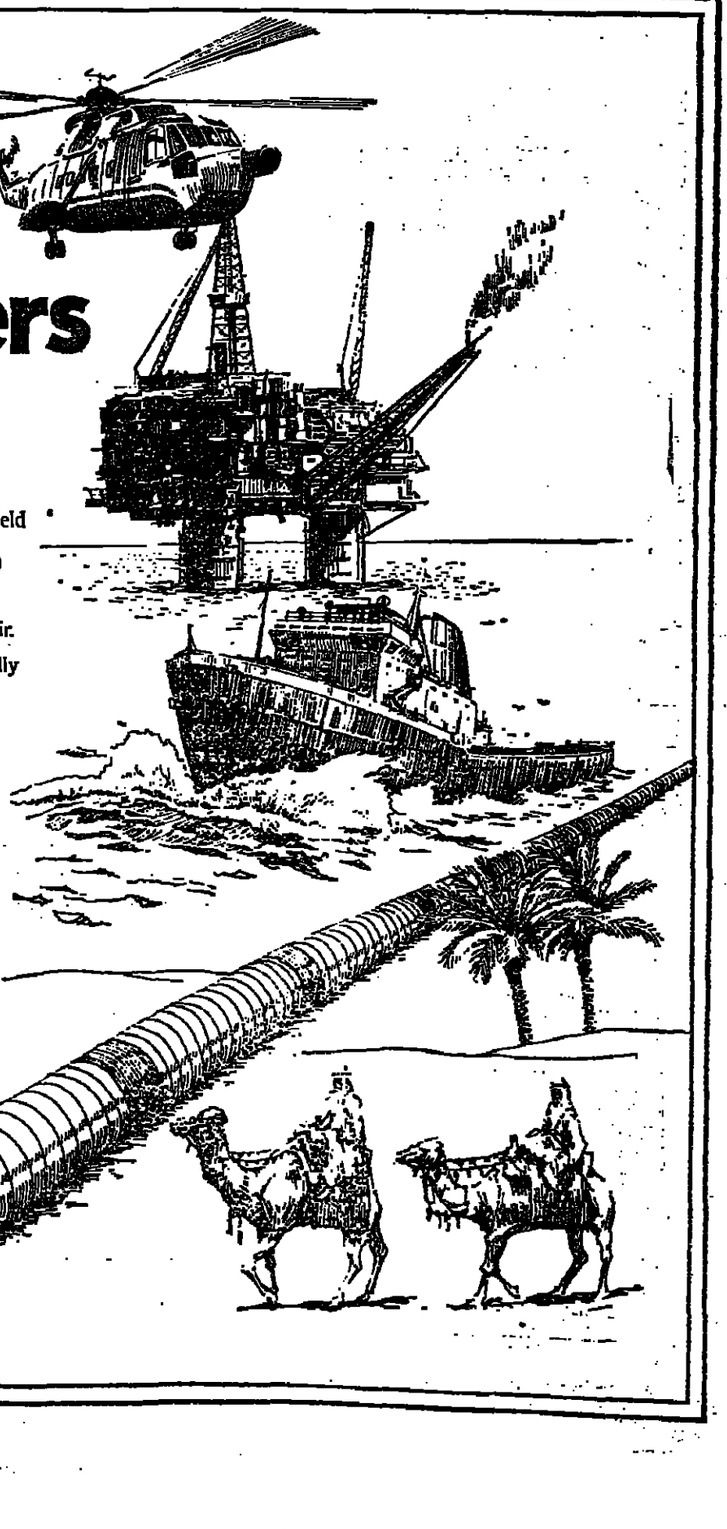
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OPERA / 'Nerone', Logan Hall

The frenzy that was Rome

OF THE two operas of Arrigo Boito, the second "Nerone" has mostly lived in the shadow of the slightly more familiar "Mefistofele," and both in the even longer shadow of his other and more distinguished incarnation as the librettist of the last operas of Verdi.

First staged in 1924, six years after its composer's death, "Nerone" has had to wait until Tuesday for its British première in the concert performance given at the Logan Hall as part of the Camden Festival.

As it stands — and only a few sketches remain of the envisaged fifth act — it is in a sense less about Nero himself (though he naturally occupies the central role) than *about the conflicts between* the impious vision of a gilded, rich, pleasure-loving Rome conjured up by the fraudulent necromancer Simon Magus and the vision of the Eternal City prophesied by the Christian leader Fanuel. With its ambitiously complex scenes of Nero's frenzied destruction of an underground temple, and the blood lust of the Roman mob in the *circus maximus*, it is above all a work of bizarre and decadent spectacle, which really needs a Fellini to bring it to vivid theatrical life.

Without the necessary visual splendour to distract attention from the music's variable, sometimes powerfully imaginative but at others rather time-serving character, probably the only thing to do is to play it for all it is worth. And this was the tactic bracingly adopted in the performance conducted by Antony Shelley with the chorus and orchestra of Abbey Opera.

Donald Pilley took bold charge of the morbidly superstitious, lecherously monomaniacal and increasingly demented Nero of the title. Alexander Gauld was a confident, if impersonal Magus and Elizabeth Byrne responded courageously to the vocally taxing outbursts of the wildly obsessive Pagan woman and ultimately Christian convert Asteria. Most persuasive of all was the attractively warm, mellow singing of the Icelandic mezzo Sirry Ella Magnus as Rubria, the self-sacrificing symbol of Christian love and charity.

Yet it was a performance that raised far more questions than it settled about a work in which all the gestures seem right, that can be strikingly original in its depiction of Imperial corruption, but which, in dealing with its individual figures, rarely touches the emotions.

Robert Henderson



Patrick Cargill and Anthony Quayle in "After the Ball is Over" at the Old Vic.

MUSIC / Philharmonia

THE BEST and worst of London's music, happily more of the former, were represented in Tuesday night's Philharmonia concert at the Festival Hall, also broadcast on Radio 3. That Alfred Brendel makes so many appearances here as almost to be taken for granted, is certainly to *the credit of the* capital: that he should be accompanied in such slovenly fashion, in Mozart's 453, presumably because of lack of rehearsal time, does the town's musical organisation no credit at all.

Mind you, as I have remarked before Brendel is as much an inspirational player as he is a great one, and not always easy to follow. Half the pleasure in listening to him comes from wondering just what portions of the work in hand he will reveal in a new light. And *there were a good number of* these on this occasion. Or should I say he simply reminded us again what an extraordinary work this G major Concerto is, even by Mozart's standards.

Brendel articulated the first movement with almost insolent joy, uncovered the harmonic twists of the Andante with a probing mind to second his gently decorating fingers, and took off into realms of fantasy in the Finale's variations. Simon Rattle and the pianist were definitely of a mind to rob the piece of romantic pretentions and so beat the authentic school at their own game. The trouble was that the orchestral players seemed not all to have been alerted to the fact.

As usual, most rehearsal time *must have been devoted to the* evening symphony, for Rattle and the Philharmonia offered almost nothing but excellence in Shostakovich's Tenth catching its uneasy contrasts between *despondent meditation* and phrenetic energy. Prokofiev and Stalin, both dead in *the year of its composition*, may be portrayed respectively in the first two movements, but as Rattle showed they go beyond musical pictures to more profound illustration of the human predicament.

The playing here and in the equivocal finale, taken hectically fast, was brilliant, so that the slightly motionless Allegretto came as something of an unexpected disappointment. As a whole the interpretation showed Rattle once more as a quite remarkable exponent of the 20th century's symphonic repertory.

Alan Blyth

Tippett revival

By Our Arts Staff

A new *production of Sir* Michael Tippett's "A Midsummer Marriage" by the English National Opera will be presented at the Coliseum on May 15 to celebrate the composer's 80th birthday year. The opera was first produced 30 years ago.

Helen Field and John Treleaven head the cast as the the lovers in midsummer England in a story of myth and magic and Mark Elder will conduct. The producer is David Pountney.

TELEVISION / The Last Place on Earth

Cold comfort from the Pole

LAST NIGHT Scott died and Amundsen faded. "It is quite a coup, he wins at the last," the Norwegian professional recognised as soon as he heard that the bodies of his English opponents had been found. "Let him have the glory, you keep the South Pole," said the imprisoned American who claimed to have been first to the North Pole. At which realistic Roald became the more pensive.

As a series Central's **The Last Place on Earth** (ITV) has been found wanting. If the final episode could in some way have been extracted from the rest and offered as a single screen play it would have earned a place among the award nominations at the end of the year. It had a strong clarity and irony.

It could be argued that the Trevor Griffiths myth-breaking polemic might have been effectively and cheaply delivered in a television studio. The intense naturalism achieved under Ferdinand Fairfax's direction in the arctic wastes of Canada was not stylistically at one with the rhetorical mode of the dialogue or the lamorous musical accom*paniment of Trevor Jones.*

For me this argument fails. The intention was to set us thinking. Brecht himself would have approved the alienating skill which enabled us to consider what the characters represented and not to be confused by any emotional response to their plight. Paradoxically the visual verisimilitude proved an aid to this appreciation: it helped to see just what Scott and his colleagues suffered to achieve their failure.

Nowadays the British may occasionally go yomping about the Falklands. They also stand hardily in the pouring rain, queueing patiently to sink into the pretty sensuality of Renoir's pictures. The present exhibition at London's Hayward Gallery continues to break all attendance records and confirms the Frenchman's abiding popularity.

Whether David Thompson's belated **What Are Paintings For Anyway?** (B B C 2) set against the return of "Dallas," will further lengthen the queue remains to be seen. The most startling thought in this compilation, built round the exhibition that ends next month, is that as a choirboy Renoir may have taken *part in the first performance of* Berlioz's "Te Deum." No wonder his work radiates such joy. Beyond this, faintly snooty critical reservations were mixed with the painting, not all of it to be found at the Hayward, and the enthusiasm of Bridget Riley who should be seen more on television.

Sean Day-Lewis

Glittering prizes for downbeat Britain?

B B C TELEVISION programmes scored twice in quick succession at the ninth Prix Futura TV Festival in West Berlin yesterday.

Delegates were clearly impressed by "Stars of the Roller Skate Disco," the 1984 "Play *for Today*" in which unemployed youth circle endlessly and aimlessly round an imaginary subterranean rink, waiting for jobs.

"Like so much British TV drama, it had the built-in quality which gets straight to the heart of the matter," declared a French delegate.

But even in the context of the much larger and more successful documentary section, Edward Goldman's "Horizon" film 'China's Child," made an outstanding impact — so much so, that for the first time since we sat down to view last Sunday morning, some delegates applauded.

This was an extraordinarily frank and well-documented look at the Chinese policy of limiting families to a single child, pursuing their ends, if needs be, through late abortions against the parents' wishes. It struck me, when I saw it on B B C television, as one of the most brilliant, chilling and unforgetable documentaries of 1983. In a wierd way, that reaction was reinforced by watching the programme in the Berlin Radio Building where another ruthless dictatorship once imposed its will on a biddable people half a century ago.

But no one can look for a walk-over among 55 documentary entries, nearly all worthwhile, some of outstanding quality. Front-runners at the moment include a Dutch documentary about a former member of the Dutch Hitler Youth, re-living his Nazi past with startling frankness and a moving Belgian study of the relationship between a mother and her severely handicapped teenage son.

For anyone attending this 22-year-old biennial festival for the first time, the outstanding impression must be of the admirable organisation which keeps 400 delegates from more than 50 countries, including some 30 third world countries closely applied to day-long sessions of programmes in four TV and radio categories. Absentees would be as noticeable at the Prix Futura as those who manage to stay the course at some other festivals.

It could perhaps be unfortunate that Britain is represented twice over as a nation of dissenting, disaffected youth. Tomorrow's ITV entry will be "Birth of a Nation," one of four plays from Central ITV about the jungle of education in overpopulated, under-privileged comprehensives. Mr Keith Williams, organiser of the TV drama section for the festival, and a former head of B B C plays, admitted: "Perhaps there should be more communication between us on these occasions."

Richard Last

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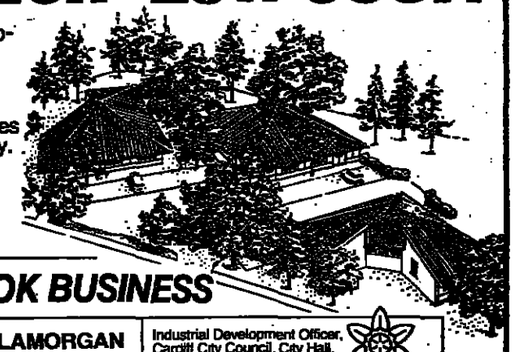
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COURT AND SOCIAL

Court Circular

KENSINGTON PALACE,
March 27.

The Prince of Wales, Colonel, Welsh Guards, arrived at Royal Air Force Northolt this afternoon in an aircraft of The Queen's Flight from the Federal Republic of Germany.

Major Jack Stenhouse and Captain Simon Stephenson were in attendance.

The Princess of Wales, Patron, The Commonwealth Society for the Deaf, today attended a Buffet Luncheon given by the Society at Fishmongers' Hall, London, E.C.4.

Mrs George West and Lieutenant-Commander Peter Eberle, R N, were in attendance.

KENSINGTON PALACE,
March 27.

Princess Alice, Duchess of Gloucester, Deputy Colonel-in-Chief, 2nd Battalion, The Royal Anglian Regiment, this afternoon received Lieutenant Colonel J. Browne on relinquishing his appointment as Commander of the Regiment and Major P. Rawlins on assuming the appointment.

In the evening Her Royal Highness, as President, was present at a Concert given by the Royal Academy of Music, Marylebone Road, London, NW1.

Mrs Michael Harvey was in attendance.

The Duke of Gloucester, Patron, Council for Education in World Citizenship, this morning opened their Annual Conference 1985 at the University of London, Bedford Way, London, WC1.

Lt. Col. Sir Simon Bland was in attendance.

YORK HOUSE March 27.

The Duchess of Kent today visited British Aerospace, the Cancer Help Centre and St Peter's Lodge at Bristol.

Her Royal Highness, who travelled in an aircraft of The Queen's Flight, was attended by Miss Sarah Partridge.

The Princess of Wales will launch H M S Cornwall at Yarrow Shipbuilders, Scotstoun, Glasgow, on June 3.

Mr Vincent Kenneally has been elected President of the Incorporated Society of Valuers and Auctioneers.

A memorial service for Dr Norman Goodall will be held at Kensington United Reformed Church, Allen Street, W.8, today at 6 p.m.

A memorial service for Mr D. T. Muggeridge will be held at St Martin-in-the-Fields today at noon.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS

Queen Ingrid of Denmark is 75 today.

Mr Robert Harris is 85; the Rt Rev. C. K. N. Bardsley 78; Sir John Stephenson 75; Lord Hutchinson of Lullington, Q C, 70; Prof. Sir John Butterfield 65; Mr Dirk Bogarde 64; Mr Peter Wilmot-Sitwell 50; and Mr Neil Kinnock, M P, 43.

Today is the anniversary of the end of the Spanish Civil War in 1939.

In Memoriam

Sir Iain Moncreiffe of that Ilk, Q.C.

A memorial service for Sir Iain Moncreiffe of that Ilk, Q.C., was held yesterday at the Guards Chapel. The Rev. J. Neville Thomas, Chaplain to the Household Division, and the Rev. David Johnson took part. The first lesson was read by the Earl of Erroll (son) and the second by the Hon. Peregrine Moncreiffe of Moncreiffe (son). The address was given by Sir Fitzroy Maclean of Dunconnel. Lord Home of the Hirsel was represented by the Earl of Selkirk, Q.C. Among others in the large congregation were:

Lady Moncreiffe of that Ilk (widow), the Countess of Erroll (daughter-in-law), Lady Alexandra Hay (daughter), Ivar Wilson, and other members of the family.

The Duke of Norfolk, the Duke of Argyll, Margaret, Duchess of Argyll, Diana, Duchess of Newcastle, the Marquess and Marchioness of Bute, the Marquess of Lothian, the Earl and Countess of Dundee, Patricia, Countess of Dundee, the Earl of Dudley, Earl and Countess Cawdor, the Earl of Lindsey and Abingdon, the Earl of Minto, the Countess of Kinnoull, the Earl of Kintore, Earl and Countess Lloyd George of Dwyfor, the Earl of Arran, the Earl of Wootton, the Earl and Countess of Dundonald, Maj.-Gen. Earl Cathcart, the Earl and Countess of Perth.

The Countess of Sutherland, Maj.-Gen. Lord Michael Fitzalan Howard, Lord and Lady Richard Percy, Lady Anne Seymour, Viscountess Savernake, Viscount and Viscountess Melville, Viscount Dupplin, Viscount Ward of Witley, Elizabeth Viscountess Pollington, Lord Michael Pratt, Lord Michael Cecil, Lord Valerian Cecil, Lord and Lady Nickolson, Lord Norreys, Lord and Lady Mowbray, Segrave and Stourton, Baroness Carnegy of Lour, Lord Napier and Ettrick, Lord and Lady Hesketh, the Dowager Lady Hesketh, Lord and Lady Maclean, Lord Montagu of Beaulieu, Lord and Lady Tenby, Denise, Lady Kilmarnock, Lt-Col Stuart Chant-Sempill and Lady Sempill.

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The Hon. John Jolliffe, the Hon. Mrs Nicolson, the Hon. Mrs Agnew Somerville, the Hon. Timothy Boyd, the Hon. David Roper-Curzon, the Hon. Jonathan Roper-Curzon, the Hon. Peter Roper-Curzon, the Hon. Emma Roper-Curzon, the Hon. Sophie Roper-Curzon, the Hon. Lucy Roper-Curzon, the Hon. Hermione Roper-Curzon, the Hon. Moyra Campbell, the Hon. Victor and Mrs Grosvenor, the Hon. Geva Winn, the Hon. Anna Kinnaird, the Hon. Kim Fraser, the Hon. Andrew Fraser, the Hon. Mrs Simon Fraser, the Hon. Mrs Gascoigne, the Hon. John Hesketh.

Lady Fitzroy Maclean of Dunconnel, Capt. Sir Ivar Colquhoun of Luss, Col Sir William Jardine of Applegarth, Sir Rowland Whitehead, Chairman, Standing Council of the Baronetage, Sir Dudley Forwood, Major Sir Evelyn Delves Broughton, Sir Henry Warner, Sir Hamish Forbes, Sir Seymour Egerton, also representing the Beefsteak Club, Lady Pilcher, Field Marshal Sir Roland and Lady Gibbs, Lt-Col Sir Eric and Lady Penn, Sir William Keswick, Gen. Sir David Fraser, Lady Elmhirst, Sir Henry and Lady Clowes, Sir Peter Thorne.

Mr Anthony and Lady Penelope Gilbey, representing the Gilbey Jubilee Collection, Mr John and Lady Gillian Anderson, the Princess of Pless, Prince George Galitzine, Prince Yuri Galitzine, Countess B. Karolyi, Major and Mrs T. Astell Hohler, Capt. and Mrs M. Fox-Pitt, Miss Miranda Fox-Pitt, Mr David Fox-Pitt, Miss Katharine Faulkner, Mr John Faulkner, Mr Peter Royds, Major and Mrs D. J. Faulkner, Mr Matthew Faulkner, Mr Robert Faulkner, Mr John Stobart, Mr Francis Cory-Wright, Lt-Col and Mrs Neil Maclean, Col E. Remington-Hobbs, Lt-Col John Codrington, Mrs Tommy Macpherson, Miss Jean Shaw, Mme Gertrude Wissa, Mr Peter Methuen, Mr Hubert Picarda, Mr Nicholas Fairbairn of Fordell, Q.C., M.P., Mr and Mrs Ronald Scrivener.

Peter Drummond-Murray of Mastrick, Slains Pursuivant of Arms, Chancellor, British Association, Sovereign and Military Order of Malta, representing the Order of Malta, Mr James MacLaren Anderson, representing the Priory of Scotland, Order of St John, Mr Barry Welland, representing the Monarchist League, Capt. David Buchan of Auchmacoy, Mrs H. Imrie-Swainston of Linsala, Lt-Col J. L. Seddon-Brown, representing the Scots Guards, Mr David Hicks, Mrs Rivers Bulkeley, Mrs Charmian Stirling, Patrick Rattray, Younger of Rattray, the Captain of Clanranald, Mrs Macdonald of Clanranald, Mr John Roberts, Director, Great Britain USSR Association.

Mr R. O. Dennys, Arundel Herald of Arms Extraordinary, also representing Garter King of Arms, Major Michael Smiley, Mr Rory More O'Ferrall, Mr Reresby Sitwell, Mr Hugh Peskett, representing Burke's Peerage, Mr Vane Ivanovic, Mrs D. Scrimgeour, Mr Peter Chandler, representing the Turf Club, Mr and Mrs Walter Goetz, Mr Peter Tunnard, Mrs H. W. B. Schroder, Mr Hugo Swire, Mr Ian McCorquodale.

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Mr J. N. Peyton-Jones

A service of thanksgiving for the life and work of Mr Jeremy Peyton-Jones was held in the Grosvenor Chapel on Tuesday. The Rev. Anthony Marks officiated, assisted by Canon Douglas Bryant. The lesson was read by Mr Michael Hurt and readings were given by Mr Ludovic Kennedy. Sir Alexander Glen gave an address. Among those present were:

Mrs Peyton-Jones (widow), Mrs Julia Riley-Smith, Miss Lucinda Peyton-Jones, Miss Katherina Peyton-Jones, Miss Elizabeth Peyton-Jones, Miss Joanna Peyton-Jones, Miss Marina Peyton-Jones (daughters), Miss Peggy Peyton-Jones (sister), Miss Amanda Searle, Mrs Duncan McLintock (niece), Cdr and Mrs Loftus Peyton-Jones, Lt-Col and Mrs John Peyton-Jones, Mr James Peyton-Jones, Miss Camilla Peyton-Jones, Lord and Lady Tweedsmuir, Lord James Douglas-Hamilton, M.P., and Lady James Douglas-Hamilton, the Hon. William and Mrs Buchan, Mr Alexander Buchan, Mr Benjamin Buchan, Mr David Buchan, Mr Edward Buchan, the Hon. Mrs Alastair Buchan, Mr Ian Stewart, M.P., and Mrs Stewart, the Hon. William Grosvenor, Diana, Duchess of Newcastle, Mrs Rhona Peyton-Jones, Prof. and Mrs James Harle, the Hon. Mrs John Greed, Mr and Mrs Jimmy Green, Mr Peter Hole, Cdr Gerald Selous, Mr Don Casey.

The Earl of Inchcape, Earl Lloyd George of Dwyfor, the Earl of Westmorland, Viscount Chelsea, Lord Perry of Walton, Lord Amherst of Hackney, Lord Fanshawe of Richmond, Lord Gibson-Watt, Mr David Howell, M.P., Lady Mountain, Sir Alexander Durie, Lady Glen, Sir Donald Gosling, Sir Ian and Lady Morrow, Sir Patrick Reilly, Adml Sir John and Lady Treacher, Sir Edward Tuckwell, Mr and the Hon. Mrs A. Tyser, Capt. David Buchan of Auchmacoy, Baron Oppenheim.

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Mr A. T. Barber

A memorial service for Mr Alan Theodore Barber was held yesterday at All Saints, Wokingham, Berkshire. The Rev. John Eddison officiated, assisted by the Rev. Brian Bailey. Mr Gerald Barber (son), Headmaster of Ludgrove School, read from the works of Canon Henry Scott Holland and the address was given by Mr R. P. Hammond-Chambers-Borgnis. Mrs Barber (widow) attended with other members of the family and many friends.

STOCKPORT GRAMMAR SCHOOL

The Governors of The Grammar School, Stockport, announce the appointment of Mr David Bird, currently Headmaster of Dartford Grammar School and previously Housemaster at Cranleigh School, as Headmaster from September 1985.

Forthcoming Marriages

Mr R. I. Molson and Miss V. B. Cayzer

The engagement is announced between Ian, third son of Mr William M. Molson, of Montreal, Canada, and Mrs Mary E. Hodgson, of Toronto, Canada, and Verena, youngest daughter of the Hon. Anthony Cayzer and the late Hon. Mrs Cayzer, of Great Westwood, Kings Langley, Hertfordshire.

Capt R. C. Sutton and Miss J. E. Bird

The engagement is announced between Richard Charles Sutton, 4th/7th Royal Dragoon Guards, only son of Lieutenant Commander and Mrs R. J. B. Sutton, of Foxfield, Ansty, Dorset, and Jane Elizabeth, only daughter of Lieutenant Commander and Mrs J. A. Bird, of The Cottage, Nottingham, near Weymouth, Dorset.

Dr J. P. R. Dick and Miss B. Gates

The engagement is announced between Jeremy, elder son of Mr Peter Dick and the late Mrs Diana Dick, of Virginia Water, Surrey, and Bridget, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs Roger Gates, of Williamscott, Oxon.

Mr T. J. Reid and Miss V. J. Turvill

The engagement is announced between Timothy James, younger son of Mr and Mrs A. M. Reid, of Skelmorlie, Ayrshire, and Vanessa Jane, daughter of Commander and Mrs A. D. Turvill, of Furland, Crewkerne, Somerset.

Mr S. R. Cox and Miss V. V. T. Angelo-Thomson

The engagement is announced between Stephen, son of Major and Mrs V. L. Cox, of Wimbledon, and Vanessa, younger daughter of Lt-Col and Mrs W. T. A. Angelo-Thomson, of Aldbourne, Marlborough, Wilts.

Mr T. J. H. Kendall and Miss S. J. Burke

The engagement is announced between Tim, eldest son of the late Dr John Hume Kendall and of Dr Susan Hume Kendall, of Hullbridge, Essex, and Susan, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs Philip Burke, of Bolton, Lancashire.

Mr C. E. Pettit and Miss F. A. Lane

The engagement is announced between Colin Edward, only son of Mr and Mrs E. J. Pettit, of Bedford, and Felicity Anne, eldest daughter of Dr Brian and Dr Rosemary Lane, of Bedford and St Just in Penwith, Cornwall.

Mr S. J. Clegg and Miss G. S. Woods

The engagement is announced between Simon, only son of Mr and Mrs Peter Clegg, of Chadwick House, Chadwick End, Knowle, and Gillian, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs Gerald Woods, of Masters, Matfield, Tonbridge, Kent.

Mr A. P. Horwood-Smart and Miss C. M. McKenzie

The engagement is announced between Adrian, only son of Mr and Mrs John Horwood-Smart, of Cheveley, near Newmarket, Suffolk, and Caroline, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs Douglas McKenzie, of Rhu, by Helensburgh, Dunbartonshire.

Mr T. J. McDonald and Miss S. A. Elwell

The engagement is announced between Thomas Joseph, eldest son of Mr and Mrs Thomas McDonald, of Covington, Louisiana, U.S.A., and Selina Ann, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs Charles Elwell, of Bottrells Close, Chalfont St Giles.

Mr D. B. Villiers and Miss L. E. Farmiloe

The engagement is announced between Douglas Villiers, of Hollywood, California, and Lucy, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs Jack Farmiloe, of Adderstone House, Cleeve Hill, Cheltenham, Gloucestershire.

Mr R. J. Hammon and Miss L. Howard Baker

The engagement is announced between Russell, eldest son of the late Mr J. L. Hammon and of Mrs G. M. Shaw and stepson of Mr C. H. Shaw, of Tiverton, Devon, and Louise, daughter of Mr and Mrs Philip Howard Baker, of St Ives, Cornwall.

Mr M. P. Pilkington-Miksa and Miss S. A. Pritchard

The engagement is announced between Marek, youngest son of Mr W. J. Pilkington-Miksa and Mrs A. M. Pilkington-Miksa, of Kingston, Surrey, and Sigrid, only daughter of Mr and Mrs R. C. Pritchard, of Great Yarmouth, Norfolk.

Mr G. W. Day and Miss M. M. Braeckman

The engagement is announced between Gary, son of Mr and Mrs W. Day, of Perth, Australia, and Marguerite, daughter of Mr and Mrs P. Braeckman, of Ugley Green, Bishops Stortford.

Mr M. F. Ayton and Miss E. G. Waller

The engagement is announced between Michael, youngest son of Mr and Mrs George Ayton, of Brighton, and Gay, only daughter of Mr and Mrs Martin Waller, of Ulting, Essex.

Mr D. B. Bertioli and Miss E. A. Armitage

The engagement is announced between David, younger son of Mr and Mrs D. Bertioli, of Chislehurst, and Elizabeth, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs A. O. Armitage, of Guildford.

Mr A. N. M. Richards and Miss C. M. Goldsmith

The engagement is announced between Adrian, second son of Mr and Mrs P. P. Richards, of Birmingham, and Charlotte, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs B. M. Goldsmith, of Guildford, Surrey.

Mr P. D. Pelly and Mrs M. J. Carter

The engagement is announced between Patrick Pelly, of Haslemere, Surrey, and Julie Carter (née Gray), of Coal Aston, Sheffield.

Mr M. G. Sprake and Miss L. C. Niven

The engagement is announced between Mark, younger son of Mr and Mrs Graham Sprake, of Eashing, Surrey, and Louise, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs William Niven, of Bramley, Surrey.

RECEPTIONS

High Sheriff of Greater London

The High Sheriff of Greater London and Lady Taylor held a reception at Inner Temple Hall yesterday evening for the Prison and Probation services within Greater London. Lord Windlesham, Chairman of the Parole Board, Lord Elton, Minister of State, Home Office, and Lady Elton, and Mr David Mellor, M P, Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State, Home Office, were among those present.

Council for Education in World Citizenship

Dr John Rae, Chairman of the Council for Education in World Citizenship, was host at a reception held yesterday evening at Westminster School in honour of the Council. Among those present were Dr William Taylor, President of the Council, Mr David Steel, M.P., Leader of the Liberal Party, Vice-President, the Hon. Peter Brooke, M.P., Parliamentary Under-Secretary, Department of Education and Science, Mr Clive Jenkins, Chairman, TUC Education Committee, and members of the Diplomatic Corps of both Houses of Parliament.

DINNERS

1900 Club

A house dinner of the 1900 Club was held last night at the Dorchester. The Earl of Stockton was the guest of honour and Mr Ronald Warlow was in the chair.

The Speaker

The Speaker and Mrs Weatherill gave a dinner in Speaker's House yesterday evening. Those present were:

Mr John Morris, Q.C., M.P., and Mrs Morris, Mr Jack Aspinwall, M.P., and Mrs Aspinwall, Mr Keith Best, M.P., Mr Bernard Conlan, M.P., Mr Den Dover, M.P., and Mrs Dover, Mr George Gardiner, M.P., and Mrs Gardiner, Mr John Golding, M.P., and Mrs Golding, Mr Barry Henderson, M.P., and Mrs Henderson, Mr David Mellor, M.P., and Mrs Mellor, Mr Christopher Murphy, M.P., and Mrs Murphy, Mr James Nicholson, M.P., and Mrs Nicholson, Mr Richard Ottaway, M.P., and Mrs Ottaway, Mr Martin Redmond, M.P., Mr Mark Robinson, M.P., and Mrs Robinson, Mr Andrew Rowe, M.P., and Mrs Rowe, Mr Brian Sedgemore, M.P., and Mrs Sedgemore, the Rev. Martin Smyth, M.P., Mr and Mrs David Holland and Mr and Mrs Kong Ten.

St George Dining Club

Lord Brabazon of Tara was principal guest at a dinner for members of the St George Dining Club and their guests held last night at the Carlton Club. Mrs Robert Brum, Vice-President of the Chipping Barnet Conservative Association, presided, and Mr Sydney Chapman, M.P., also spoke.

WEDDING

Mr R. T. Combe and Mrs B. A. Glide

The marriage took place in Taunton on March 26 between Mr Richard Tristram Combe, of Earnshill, Hambridge, Langport, Somerset, and Mrs Bridgett Anne Glide, of Meare Green, Taunton.

WAY OF THE WORLD

A Gruesome Heritage

MAIDEN CASTLE in Dorset is by no means the only numinous place in England now threatened by "English Heritage" and its vulgarising, amenity-crazed, tourism-promoting activities.

There is also, most notably, Castlerigg, near Keswick in Cumberland, one of the finest stone circles in the British Isles, a place John Keats saw and wondered at on his walking-tour through the Lake District and later made into a splendid, mysterious metaphor in "Hyperion."

How lonely and wonderful it must have been! Its loneliness is lost with the rest of the Lake District, and soon, if "English Heritage" has its way, its wonder will be lost also.

A report by the Inspectorate of Ancient Monuments, called "Castlerigg Stone Circle: Proposals for a Project to Improve the On-Site Interpretation," gives the gruesome details. One of the "particular reasons" given for the project is that Castlerigg is "situated in a popular tourist area in the heart of the Lake District and within walking distance of Keswick; it is under very heavy visitor pressure (*sic*)."

All the more reason to leave it alone. But that is not how the functionaries of the heritage industry, with their archaeological and other allies, see it.

They propose, during the next 12 months, to carry out "partial survey and excavation of the site, followed by post-excavation work" leading to "the design, production and installation of interpretative material."

Anybody who has re-visited a well-loved place and found it thoroughly interpreted—with signboards and instructional huts and teashops and public lavatories and all the rest of it will know the fate in store for Castlerigg.

An expert on stone circles, Aubrey Burl, who has written a fine book about them, tells me that the justification for the excavation itself is dubious. If, he says, there really has to be an excavation of a stone circle in Cumberland there are several others which are more promising for archaeologists. The problem for "English Heritage" is that they are in places where there are fewer tourists.

But it is unwise, I feel, even to mention them lest "English Heritage" should turn its greedy eyes on them as well.

Rainbow Days

FOR students of religious sects and of human behaviour alike, the bulletins produced by the "peace people" are full of interest. Note particularly the re-emergence of pagan beliefs and practices which go back very far in human history. One such bulletin, roughly cyclostyled, is headed "Why Am I Here?" by "Rainbow Jo".

"I returned to Molesworth," writes Jo, after describing her life of "peace-camps, travelling festivals, alternative living", "for the Green Gathering in August last year and my truck would go no further. It seemed like a good place to stay for the winter—water on tap, friends around me, this growing community which came to be the Rainbow Fields Village. This was something different, this was the best place I'd ever lived. I found myself dragged back into the peace movement (had I ever left?). I conceived a child, I started to believe again . . . .

"I was away when they evicted us. It wasn't real to me until I'd gone through the police roadblocks, right up to the barbed wire and the arc-lights and the soldiers at their braziers, walked along Peace Lane and seen it all—then I felt it. Even going there now, a month later, even thinking of it makes me want to cry . . . Rainbow Village is still together and getting stronger . . . Rainbow Village at its best is part of the vision, an unfolding, many seeds taking root and growing. And the spirit of Molesworth continues despite the physical reality—we can see the fences and the soldiers, but at the same time we can see the earth and the sky, the light in all life and the rainbow bridge. I hope you see it too. I hope you feel it."

Appended is an announcement by "Sheila": "New Life at Rainbow Village: A SIGHT I WOULDN'T HAVE MISSED FOR THE WORLD . . Julie Jooles crouched in the grass washing the umbilical cord and membrane cowl that came from Phoebe's head . . . vivid slivers of red against the fresh green field—then tying them to a pole and hoisting them up to shine majestically in the sun next to the brilliant rainbow banner".

D. H. Lawrence might have liked that. He might almost have written it. But how does Monsignor Bruce Kent feel about it?

Highly Developed

A GEOGRAPHY lecturer at a northern polytechnic has sent me a pamphlet about a journal produced by something called "The Association for Curriculum Development in Geography." The aims of this journal are "to promote an interchange of ideas between students, teachers and researchers in the field of geography. In particular, geographers need to be in contact with developments in humanistic and radical studies. . . .

"The first two issues were concerned with 'Geography for a Multiracial Society,' the third examined the global economy through 'Trade, Aid and Multinationals'"

Subjects dealt with are shown in the pamphlet in the form of slogans on a wall: "Racism in Geography"; "Academic Imperialism"; "Exploration"; "Institutionalised Genocide"; "Sexism and the Food Crisis"; "The Creation of World Poverty"; and, best of all, "How Europe Underdeveloped Africa."

This last slogan is a masterpiece in the art of multiple obfuscation, of using clichés to fight against themselves. How would "Africa" have developed, either for good or ill, if "Europe" had left it alone?

Peter Simple

Obituary

GEORGE LONDON

By ALAN BLYTH

GEORGE LONDON, the Canadian-born bass baritone who was a leading opera singer in the 1950s and 60s, has died in New York, aged 64.

One of his most notable achievements was to be the first non-Russian to sing Boris Godunov at the Bolshoi Opera. That was in 1960, at the height of his career, and he recorded the part with the company in Moscow.

He was born in Montreal, but his family moved to Los Angeles when he was 16, and he studied with several notable teachers before making his début in the small role of Dr Grenvil in "La Traviata" at the Hollywood Bowl in 1941.

After work with a touring company, he was lucky enough to audition for Karl Böhm at the Vienna State Opera in 1949. Böhm gave him the role of Amonasro in "Aida" with the company.

Halted by illness

Two years later he was engaged by New York's Metropolitan Opera and remained with the company as leading bass-baritone until illness forced his retirement in 1966.

His only London appearance was as Don Giovanni with the Vienna State Opera at the Festival Hall in 1954. However, he appeared as Mozart's Figaro with the Glyndebourne Opera in 1950.

After retiring from the stage, he had a notable career as an administrator at the Kennedy Center in Washington and with the city's Opera Society. He was also a renowned producer.

Maj-Gen H. L. BIRKS

Maj. Gen. Horace Leslie Birks, who has died aged 87, enlisted in the London Rifle Brigade in 1915 and later served in the 1914-18 War with the Machine Gun Corps and Tank Corps.

During the 1939-45 War he commanded the 11th Armoured Brigade in 1941 and the 10th Armoured Division in 1942. He won the DSO in 1941 while second-in-command of the 4th Armoured Brigade. Later he served in Italy with the Central Mediterranean Forces and was appointed a CB in 1945.

He retired in 1946 and from then until 1963 was secretary of University College Hospital Medical School.

MAURICE MEGRAH

Maurice Megrah, Q C, who has died, aged 89, was the leading practitioner in banking law of his generation. Called to the Bar by Gray's Inn at 41, he took silk at 75 and continued in practice until last week.

His contribution to legal and banking literature included not only editing "Paget's Law of Banking" and "Byles on Bills of Exchange" but the joint authorship of the "Law of Bankers' Commercial Credits" and contributions to many legal and banking publications, including Halsbury's "Laws of England."

GEORGE A. HANNAH

George Alexander Hannah, who has died aged 81, was a chartered engineer who became managing director of Pegsons, ore-crushing machinery manufacturers at Coalville, Leicestershire, in 1954. In the next few years he travelled 200,000 miles in search of orders.

In 1958 he travelled 1,500 miles through Indian jungle to reach a mining project after nine months of long-range negotiation had achieved nothing. When he arrived at the site he clinched a £250,000 contract. He was appointed a CBE in 1964.

JOHN MARSHALL

John Marshall, who has died at Worthing aged 80, was editor of the London Evening News from 1950 to 1954.

He joined the paper in 1930 from the Press Association as a reporter and was a war correspondent who took part in the D-Day invasion of Normandy before becoming news editor and assistant editor.

F. BARTHOLOMEW

Frank Bartholomew, who has died aged 86 at Sonoma, California, was chairman of the American news agency United Press International from 1962 to 1972. He joined United Press in 1921 and was a war correspondent in the 1939-45 War, the Chinese civil war, and the Korean war.

Air Commodore Thomas Reece Thomas. In London aged 71. Joined R A F 1935, served 1939-45 War, Bomber Command, D F C 1942; Air Attache, Buenos Aires 1955, retired 1958.

Col Henry James Wilson. In Tunbridge Wells aged 79. Farmer, deputy president National Farmers Union 1959-62, treasurer 1971-81. Chairman Bacon Consultative Council 1957-64, member Bacon Market Council 1964-72. With Westminster Bank 1921-39. Served 1939-45 War London Scottish. O B E 1943, C B E 1965.

Percy John Curtis. In London aged 84. Secretary, Exchequer and Audit Department 1955-63, entered department 1920. C B E 1955, C B 1960.

Latest Wills

CLUTTERBUCK, P., Epsom, Surrey	£255,106
DELLER, K. C., Buxted, East Sussex, retired chartered accountant	281,865
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GODFREY, D. L., Surbiton, Surrey	473,898
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NAUNTON, Mrs Phyllis B. P., Worthing, West Sussex	834,707
THOMAS-DAVIES, J., East Ashling, West Sussex	682,546

TODAY'S EVENTS

Princess Anne opens the Exhibition "Animal Regalia" at the Commonwealth Institute, London, 2.30; As patron of the Riding for the Disabled Association, visits the St James's Park Group, Royal Mews, Buckingham Palace, 5.15; as Master of the Worshipful Company of Farriers, attends a dinner given by the Lord Mayor of London, 7.25.

Queen's Life Guard mounts, Horse Guards, 11; Queen's Guard mounts, Buckingham Palace, 11.30.

TOMORROW'S EVENTS

Queen's Life Guard mounts, Horse Guards, 11.

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ST JUDE.—Thank you again.—D.

WHEELER, DENNIS WHEELER, late of Top Flat, 4 Vane Street, Bathwick, Bath, Avon, died at Bath on 1 August, 1984. (Estate about £16,000.) THE MOTHER of the above-named is requested to apply to the Treasury Solicitor (B.V.), Queen Anne's Chambers, 28 Broadway, London SW1H 9JS, failing which the Treasury Solicitor may take steps to administer the estate.

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THE COMPANIES ACT, 1948 IN THE MATTER OF HAWKINS & BRYNE LIMITED t/a SLOANES GARDEN FURNITURE Court No 006011 of 1983. Nature of Business: General Dealers. Winding-up Order made 22nd January 1985. Date and place of first meetings: Creditors 12th April 1985, Room G20 Atlantic House, Holborn Viaduct, London EC1N 2HD at 11.00 o'clock. Contributories. On the same day and at the same place at 11.30 o'clock. A. K. SALES, Senior Official Receiver and Provisional Liquidator.

THE COMPANIES ACT, 1948 IN THE MATTER OF DOYLE TRANSPORT LIMITED. Court No 006120 of 1983. Nature of Business: Haulage contractors. Winding-up Order made 22nd January 1985. Date and place of first meetings: Creditors 11th April 1985, at Room G20 Atlantic House, Holborn Viaduct, London ECIN 2HD at 10.00 o'clock. Contributories on the same day and at the same place at 10.30 o'clock. A. K. SALES, Senior Official Receiver and Provisional Liquidator.

THE COMPANIES ACT, 1948 IN THE MATTER OF CHARLES BOSWELL LIMITED. Court No 005972 of 1983. Nature of Business: Dealers and manufacturers of guns. Winding-up Order made 22nd January 1985. Date and place of first meetings: Creditors 10th April, 1985, at Room G20 Atlantic House, Holborn Viaduct, London, EC1N 2HD at 3.00 o'clock. Contributories on the same day and at the same place at 3.30 o'clock. A. K. SALES, Senior Official Receiver and Provisional Liquidator.

THE COMPANIES ACT, 1948 IN THE MATTER OF LILIAN LANDAU LIMITED. Court No. 006036 of 1983. Nature of Business: Clothing manufacturers. Winding-up Order made 22nd January 1985. Date and place of first meetings: Creditors 11th April 1985, at Room G20 Atlantic House, Holborn Viaduct, London EC1N 2HD at 10 o'clock. Contributories: On the same day and at the same place at 10.30 o'clock. A. K. SALES, Senior Official Receiver and Provisional Liquidator.

THE COMPANIES ACT, 1948 IN THE MATTER OF PLEDGEGLOW LIMITED t/a GLOWSIGN. Court No. 006047 of 1983. Nature of Business: Signmakers. Winding-up Order made 22nd January 1985. Date and place of first meetings: Creditors 11th April 1985, at Room G20 Atlantic House, Holborn Viaduct, London EC1N 2HD at 3 o'clock. Contributories: On the same day at the same place at 3.30 o'clock.—A. K. SALES, Senior Official Receiver and Provisional Liquidator.

THE COMPANIES ACT, 1948 IN THE MATTER OF CLEGPLAN LIMITED. Court No. 007581 of 1984. Nature of Business: Leasing of office equipment & motor vehicles. Winding-up Order made 21st January 1985. Date and place of first meetings: Creditors: 10th April 1985, at Room G20, Atlantic House, Holborn Viaduct, London, EC1N 2HD at 11.00 o'clock. Contributories: On the same day and at the same place at 11.30 o'clock. J. L. P. POPE, Official Receiver and Provisional Liquidator.

THE COMPANIES ACT, 1948 IN THE MATTER OF STYLEVOGUE LIMITED. Court No. 007706 of 1984. Nature of Business: Dressmakers. Winding-up Order made 28th January 1985. Date and place of first meetings: Creditors: 10th April 1985, at Room G20, Atlantic House, Holborn Viaduct, London, EC1N 2HD at 10.00 o'clock. Contributories: On the same day and at the same place at 10.30 o'clock. J. L. P. POPE, Official Receiver and Provisional Liquidator.

THE COMPANIES ACT, 1948 IN THE MATTER OF JEFFREY B. CLARKE & ASSOCIATES LIMITED t/a ARCUNHEATH CONSTRUCTION Court No. 326 of 1984 MANCHESTER DISTRICT REGISTRY. Nature of Business: Architects & Quantity Surveyors. Winding-up Order made 18th January, 1985. Date and place of first meetings: Creditors, 10th April 1985, at Room G20, Atlantic House, Holborn Viaduct, London, EC1N 2HD at 10.00 o'clock. Contributories: On the same day and at the same place at 10.30 o'clock. J. L. P. POPE, Deputy Official Receiver and Provisional Liquidator.

THE COMPANIES ACT, 1948 IN THE MATTER OF SORTGLOW LIMITED. Court No. 007436 of 1984. Nature of Business: Building contractors. Winding-up Order made 21st January, 1985. Date and place of first meetings: Creditors: 10th April, 1985, at Room G20, Atlantic House, Holborn Viaduct, London, EC1N 2HD at 3.00 o'clock. Contributories: On the same day and at the same place at 3.30 o'clock. J. A. SELL, Official Receiver and Provisional Liquidator.

THE COMPANIES ACT, 1948 IN THE MATTER OF MEDRANGE LIMITED t/a R. B. FLOORING. Court No. 007691 of 1984. Nature of Business: Carpet retailers and fitters. Winding-up Order made 28th January, 1985. Date and place of first meetings: Creditors: 11th April 1985, at Room G20, Atlantic House, Holborn Viaduct, London, EC1N 2HD at 2.00 o'clock. Contributories: On the same day and at the same place at 2.30 o'clock. R. G. L. HOWARD, Official Receiver and Provisional Liquidator.

RUTH RUMBLE née HUNDERTMARK, born on September 16, 1940 at Aerzen, Fachsportenstr. 4, 3250 Hameln 1—Petitioner—attorneys of record: the lawyers Kretschmer and partners in Hameln versus Peter John Rumble, born on April 5, 1952 in Radcliffe/Oxford, England, formerly resident in Scheessel, county of Rotenburg/Wümme, now with unknown residence—respondent, with the petition to divorce the marriage contracted between the parties hereto before the registrar's office of Scheessel under the marriage register No. 46/1979 on November 22, 1979. The respondent is summoned to appear on the trial date before the Local Court (Amtsgericht) in Hameln, Zehnthof 1, court room 108, on June 26, 1985 at 11 a.m. Local Court (Amtsgericht) of Hameln—16 F 19/85—Hameln February 26, 1985.

THE COMPANIES ACT, 1948 IN THE MATTER OF WEST END PROVIDENT AND INVESTMENT SOCIETY LIMITED. Court No. 003720 of 1983. Nature of Business: Bankers. Winding-up Order made 6th March 1985. Date and place of first meetings: Creditors 12th April 1985, at Room G20 Atlantic House, Holborn Viaduct London EC1N 2HD at 2.00 o'clock. Contributories on the same day and at the same place at 2.30 o'clock. R. G. L. HOWARD, Official Receiver and Provisional Liquidator.

THE COMPANIES ACT, 1948, IN THE MATTER OF HANNIBALS CLUB LIMITED, formerly DONEVE LIMITED, Court No. 007086 of 1984. Nature of Business: Health Club. Winding-up Order made 14th January 1985. Date and place of first meetings: Creditors 10th April, 1985, at Room G20, Atlantic House, Holborn Viaduct, London EC1N 2HD at 11.00 o'clock. Contributories on the same day and at the same place at 11.30 o'clock. J. A. SELL, Official Receiver and Provisional Liquidator.

THE COMPANIES ACT, 1948, IN THE MATTER OF WEST EUROPEAN SYSTEMS TECHNOLOGY LIMITED, Court No. 003162 of 1984. Nature of Business: Dealers and designers in computers. Winding-up Order made 11th February, 1985. Date and place of first meetings: Creditors 12th April, 1985, at Room G20, Atlantic House, Holborn Viaduct, London EC1N 2HD at 11.00 o'clock. Contributories on the same day and at the same place at 11.30 o'clock. J. A. SELL, Official Receiver and Provisional Liquidator.

THE COMPANIES ACT, 1948, IN THE MATTER OF RABBIT PROMOTIONS LIMITED T/A PARTNERS RESTAURANT Court No 007100 of 1984. Nature of Business: Restaurant Operators. Winding-up Order made 14th January 1985. Date and place of first meetings: Creditors 10th April 1985, at Room G20, Atlantic House, Holborn Viaduct, London EC1N 2HD, at 3.00 o'clock. Contributories on the same day and at the same place at 3.30 o'clock. J. L. P. POPE, Official Receiver and Provisional Liquidator.

THE COMPANIES ACT, 1948, IN THE MATTER OF SCANMAN LIMITED Court No. 006137 of 1983. Nature of Business: Haulage Contractors. Winding-up Order made 22nd January 1985. Date and place of first meetings: Creditors 10th April 1985, at Room G20, Atlantic House, Holborn Viaduct, London EC1N 2HD at 11.00 o'clock. Contributories on the same day and at the same place at 11.30 o'clock. A. K. SALES, Senior Official Receiver and Provisional Liquidator.

THE COMPANIES ACT, 1948, IN THE MATTER OF STORMGLADE LIMITED Court No. 006155 of 1983. Nature of Business: General Merchants. Winding-up Order made 22nd January, 1985. Date and place of first meetings: Creditors 12th April 1985, at Room G20 Atlantic House Holborn Viaduct, London EC1N 2HD at 2 o'clock. Contributories: On the same day and at the same place at 2.30 o'clock.—A. K. SALES, Senior Official Receiver and Provisional Liquidator.

THE COMPANIES ACT, 1948 IN THE MATTER OF SMS COMPONENTS (EXPORT) LIMITED Court No. 006074 of 1983. Nature of Business: Motor component dealers. Winding-up Order made 22nd January 1985. Date and place of first meetings: Creditors 11th April 1985, at Room G20 Atlantic House, Holborn Viaduct, London EC1N 2HD at 3 o'clock. Contributories: On the same day and at the same place at 3.30 o'clock.—A. K. SALES, Senior Official Receiver and Provisional Liquidator.

THE COMPANIES ACT, 1984. IN THE MATTER OF O. M. TARY HOLDINGS LIMITED. Court No. 007418 of 1984. Nature of Business: Wholesalers of beers, wines and spirits. Winding-up Order made: 21st January, 1985. Date and place of first meetings: Creditors: 10th April, 1985, at Room G20, Atlantic House, Holborn Viaduct, London EC1N 2HD at 2.00 o'clock: Contributories: On the same day and at the same place at 2.30 o'clock. J. A. SELL, Official Receiver and Provisional Liquidator.

THE COMPANIES ACT, 1984. IN THE MATTER OF WARLEIGH HOUSE MANAGEMENT COMPANY LIMITED, formerly TABARD LIMITED. Court No. 392 of 1984, Birmingham District Registry. Nature of Business: Nursing home operators. Winding-up Order made: 28th January, 1985. Date and place of first meetings: Creditors: 11th April, 1985, at Room G20, Atlantic House, Holborn Viaduct, London EC1N 2HD at 11.05 o'clock: Contributories: On the same day and at the same place at 11.35 o'clock. J. A. SELL, Deputy Official Receiver and Provisional Liquidator.

THE COMPANIES ACT, 1948. IN THE MATTER OF HILLIER ALLAN ASSOCIATES LIMITED. Court No. 007985 of 1984. Nature of Business: Publishing books. Winding-up Order made 4th February, 1985. Date and place of first meetings: Creditors 11th April, 1985, at Room G20, Atlantic House, Holborn Viaduct, London, EC1N 2HD at 10.00 o'clock. Contributories On the same day and at the same place at 10.30 o'clock. J. L. P. POPE, Official Receiver and Provisional Liquidator.

THE COMPANIES ACT, 1948. IN THE MATTER OF WARLEIGH HOUSE INVESTMENTS LIMITED formerly: EXUBERANCE LIMITED, Court No. 593 of 1984. Nature of Business: Property Developers. Winding-up Order made 28th January, 1985. Date and place of first meetings: Creditors 11th April, 1985, at Room G30, Atlantic House, Holborn Viaduct, London, EC1N 2HD at 11.00 o'clock. Contributories On the same day and at the same place at 11.30 o'clock. J. A. SELL, Deputy Official Receiver and Provisional Liquidator.

THE COMPANIES ACT, 1948. IN THE MATTER of JUST KIDDING PRODUCTIONS LIMITED. Court No. 007491 of 1984. Nature of business: Video Producers. Winding-up Order made 21st January, 1985. Date and place of first meetings: Creditors 12th April, 1985, at Room G20, Atlantic House, Holborn Viaduct, London EC1N 2HD at 10 o'clock. Contributories: On the same day and at the same place at 10.30 o'clock.—J. L. P. POPE, Official Receiver and Provisional Liquidator.

THE COMPANIES ACT, 1948. IN THE MATTER of SRI SPECIALISTS LIMITED. Court No. 008125 of 1984. Nature of business: Tour operators. Winding-up Order made 11th February, 1985. Date and place of first meetings: Creditors 10th April, 1985, at Room G20, Atlantic House, Holborn Viaduct, London EC1N 2HD at 3 o'clock. Contributories: On the same day and at the same place at 3.30 o'clock.—R. G. L. HOWARD, Official Receiver and Provisional Liquidator.

THE COMPANIES ACT, 1948 IN THE MATTER OF NEPTUNE ENTERPRISES LIMITED t/a IVORY, Court No. 007281 of 1984. Nature of Business: Wholesalers and Retailers of Ladies' Fashion Garments and Accessories. Winding-up Order made 21st January 1985. Date and place of first meetings: Creditors: 12th April 1985, at Room G20, Atlantic House, Holborn Viaduct, London, EC1N 2HD at 10.00 o'clock. Contributories: On the same day and at the same place at 10.30 o'clock. R. G. L. HOWARD, Official Receiver and Provisional Liquidator.

THE COMPANIES ACT, 1948 IN THE MATTER OF NILKU PRODUCTS LIMITED. Court No. 007525 of 1984. Nature of Business: Importer and manufacturer of clothing. Winding-up Order made 21st January 1985. Date and place of first meetings: Creditors 12th April 1985, at Room G20 Atlantic House, Holborn Viaduct London EC1N 2HD at 10.00 o'clock. Contributories on the same day and at the same place at 10.30 o'clock. J. A. SELL, Official Receiver and Provisional Liquidator.

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Summer spec-tacular

By Hilary Alexander

IF EYES are the mirrors of the soul, then sunglasses are its mask.

Use them to hide behind, hide those wrinkles or hide from the sun's burning rays. Jack Nicholson once wore a pair to an Oscar ceremony. Starlets, aspiring and otherwise, brandish them at airport arrival lounges.

Pop star Boy George, in a vain attempt to appear inconspicuous, wore a black wrap-around pair with a white Zorro-style hood and white trench coat at John Galliano's show during the recent London Fashion Week.

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VANESSA'S DIARY

Mon. Simply can't believe how time flies. Suddenly Easter is upon us. Ought to be making hot cross buns and simnel cake and marzipan chickens, but things haven't been the same in the kitchen since Shrove Tuesday. Asked Julian what he was giving up for Lent and he said my pancakes.

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Sausages are easy to make. The one essential is a good mincer (processors don't really give the right texture) or a friendly butcher who will mince for you, given due warning. It is best to mince meats first then mix thoroughly with seasonings and flavourings by hand.

For filling, if you own a Kenwood, there is a handy and inexpensive sausage-filling attachment.

I find pork sausages most satisfactory, especially now veal is so difficult to find. Don't be tempted to cut out too much fat or the sausage will seem very dry and dull. The recipes below give meaty and rich bangers. Bread can be added for a lighter effect, up to 2 to 3oz per lb of meat and fat. Seasonings can be adjusted to personal taste but try stated quantities first. They are definite rather than overwhelming.

Beef sausages require careful mincing and lots of fat and breadcrumbs to give a satisfactory texture. I prefer to make hamburgers.

Ready-minced beef can make reasonable burgers but, for best results, buy meat in the piece. Trim off all sinew and most of the fat and chop or mince yourself, preferably just before cooking.

Flavourings are to your fancy. If the meat is good, just a little onion and seasoning to play up the flavour are best. Cheese can be grated and mixed with the meat instead of melted on top.

Both sausages and shaped burgers will freeze well. Use within three months for best results. Eat fresh within two days.

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Janet Laurence

THE RECIPES

COUNTRY PORK SAUSAGES

INGREDIENTS: 1½lb lean shoulder of pork; 6oz back pork fat or 2lb lean belly of pork; 1 teaspoon salt; freshly-ground black pepper; 2 tablespoons chopped fresh sage; 2 tablespoons chopped fresh thyme; ½ teaspoon chopped fresh rosemary; grated nutmeg to taste; pinch mace (if substituting dried herbs, halve quantities).

METHOD: cut meat and fat into smallish pieces, mince then mix well with flavourings. Check seasonings by frying small piece. Attach nozzle loaded with casings and fill, pushing meat through machine with one hand and pulling filled casing gently away from nozzle with the other.

Have a plate supported on a bowl just below the nozzle to take the sausage as it falls. Don't fill too tightly or it will burst when cooked. Twist into links and tie at each end after filling is complete. Otherwise, shape mixture by hand (there is usually some mixture left in the machine at the end of filling which is easiest to shape anyway). Preferably leave completed sausages overnight in fridge to settle and mature before frying or grilling gently until golden brown all over. Roll uncased sausages in flour before frying and be careful when turning them over in pan.

This is the basic method. Use with following variations:

GARLIC AND WINE SAUSAGES

INGREDIENTS: pork as above; 2½oz wholewheat breadcrumbs soaked in 3fl oz white wine plus 1 tablespoon brandy; 2 to 3 cloves of garlic crushed with 1 teaspoon salt; freshly-ground black pepper; grated nutmeg.

GREEN PEPPER SAUSAGES

INGREDIENTS: pork as above; 1½ tablespoons green peppercorns; ½ teaspoon chopped fresh thyme; freshly-ground black pepper; 1 teaspoon salt.

PORK AND APPLE SAUSAGES

INGREDIENTS: pork as above; 4 Granny Smith apples, grated with skin but not core; 2 tablespoons chopped fresh parsley; 1 dessertspoon chopped fresh thyme; grated rind 1 lemon; 1 teaspoon salt; freshly-ground black pepper.

PORK AND BACON SAUSAGES

INGREDIENTS: 1½lb. lean shoulder pork; 6oz back pork fat; 6oz smoked streaky bacon; ½ teaspoon ground coriander; ½ teaspoon allspice; grated nutmeg; pinch each dried basil and thyme; freshly-ground black pepper. Check seasoning before adding salt if necessary.

HAMBURGERS

INGREDIENTS: 1½lb best mince or, better, 1½lb chuck, topside or rump steak; salt; freshly-ground black pepper; 1 large onion, finely-chopped and grated, or chopped and sweated in little butter or oil. Variations: 1. 4oz tasty Cheddar, grated; 1 tablespoon Worcestershire sauce; good dash Tabasco. 2. 2 tablespoons freshly-chopped mixed herbs; 2 stalks celery, finely chopped. Garlic can also be added to any of above.

METHOD: mix prepared meat and flavourings together well. Divide mixture into four and shape with wet hands carefully into a round. Flatten as liked. If filling centre with cheese or frozen butter, press into middle of round, place chosen filling in hole, then carefully work meat up around filling. Make sure it is completely surrounded.

Either grill or fry, searing outside of the burger on high heat, to cook to desired degree. Length of time will depend on thickness of burgers. Judge state by pressing gently with finger or spatula. Rare meat will "give," well-done will be firm to the touch. Serve on a toasted hamburger bun or alone with green salad.

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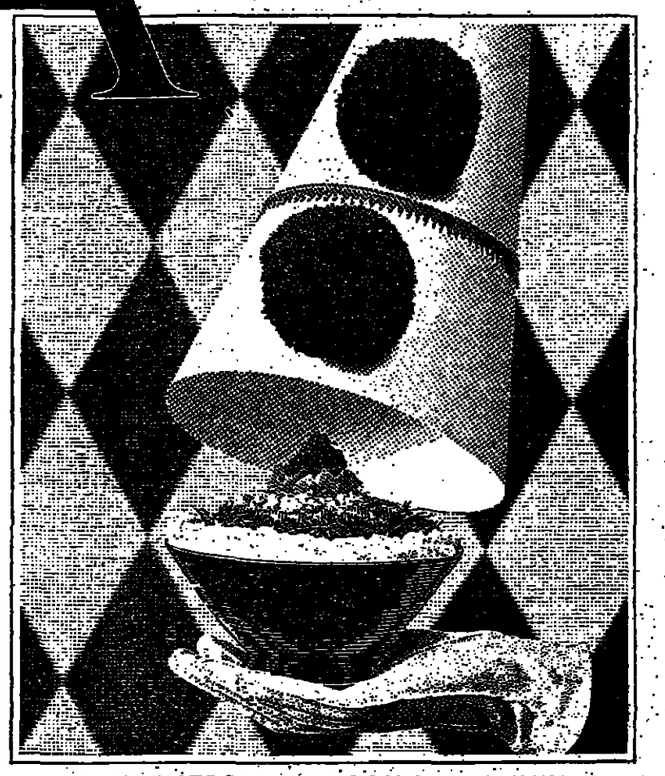
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SIR KEITH'S PRIORITIES

SIR KEITH JOSEPH'S White Paper on Education announces boldly that there is much to admire in State schools, but its small print says otherwise. It hardly disguises the evidence that standards of literacy and numeracy are dropping sharply. The blame for this, however, is interestingly placed. Not an echo is to be found of the accusations of ten years ago that the comprehensive system itself was at fault, with its abolition of streaming, its neglect of the brightest talents and its teaching aimed at the lowest common denominator. Sir Keith has, rightly or wrongly, decided against any radical surgery on the school structure, and to live with the system he has.

Instead, he targets reform and, by implication, blame for present disasters, on the teachers. "Significant numbers" are below par. Why? The White Paper is none too forthcoming, but the reasons are clear. The teacher training colleges, and the intellectual standards required for their certificates, are not good enough. Of graduate entrants to the profession, too many are products of academic socialism in the 1960s and '70s when the favourite careers on the Left were the Civil Service, the B B C, librarianship and teaching. Sir Keith's schemes for teacher appraisal may help to weed out some of the failures and the worms in the apple, but teaching being a secure profession, many will survive for life. More critical will be the degree to which Sir Keith can reform teachers' practice. Under Left-wing influence, this has found for 25 years other priorities than the simple inculcation of learning. It has veered away from instruction and authority in the classroom towards self-expression among children and the development of personality. At best this may create pupils who are mature, independent and morally aware (though not in the sense which the late Dr Leavis would have hoped for). At worst, it produces unskilled children marked by indiscipline and disrespect—"good democrats," as one teaching manual calls them— who, once in the outside world, are unemployable.

Much in the White Paper is welcome, though much seems obvious. Best of all is the abolition of exams like the C S E which offer too low a challenge to too many. Sir Keith might have gone much further, and may yet find himself drawn into the web of centralised direction of a traditionally local service. But this is a very good start.

SOUTH AFRICA'S CRITICS

THE SHOOTINGS LAST WEEK in the Eastern Cape have brought forth, as might have been expected, instant and confident predictions of an imminent "bloodbath" in South Africa. Bishop Trevor Huddleston, President of the Anti-Apartheid Movement, would have us believe that revolution is around the corner. He also compares the danger which South Africa presents to world peace to that constituted by Nazi Germany in its infancy. But what danger is this? Are the Russians and the Americans going to fight over South Africa's gold and other minerals, or over her control of the Cape? This may be what Mr P. W. Botha, the South African President, believes. Surely the Bishop is a little more sophisticated.

The Bishop is perhaps falling into the trap of those with an excessively apocalyptic cast of mind. In the case of South Africa, the tendency is to imagine that everything which happens there is literally of cosmic significance. In some (though not, of course, the Bishop) the wish is farther to the thought. Like ancient priests peering hopefully into entrails, they see blood in South Africa. A Marxist reading of history promises no less. There is even (some of them believe) a chance to expedite matters by the introduction of sanctions. Here hope really does run wild, for while sanctions might no doubt harm South Africa—or at any rate her blacks—they are unlikely, if history is anything to go by, to bring members of the Government to their knobbly Afrikaner knees.

After Sharpeville in 1960 and Soweto in 1976 we were promised revolution in South Africa as confidently as we are promised it now after Langa. Perhaps it will happen one day: certainly one can see no happy ending as unrest gets worse in South Africa. But given the nature of power there it is more grown-up to expect a protracted process in which periods of reform will alternate with periods of repression. Such a state of affairs, if far from ideal, is surely preferable to outright revolution.

£58—AND THEN?

MR BRITTAN has picked a way out of his immediate dilemma over the B B C licence fee that will disappoint everyone. Maybe that makes it a shrewd choice. The B B C will regard it as an assault on the ark of the covenant even to talk about getting its money from advertising. On the other hand the B B C's critics have scarcely got the door opened to the dismemberment of the Corporation many of them would like to see although they will take comfort from the exemplary free-market qualifications of the chairman of the review committee.

In fact Ministers are trying to square a circle. They know advertising would change the character of the animal. (Sponsorship, oddly enough, might be easier to swallow: the B B C's links with sports promoters at present are sponsorship of a sort). And Ministers seem to have accepted that although we all grumble about programmes, our present dual system gives us the best broadcasting in the world—and Conservative Governments t h i n k long before tampering with something that works. The temptation to tamper (political distaste for B B C attitudes aside) comes from the alarming way the costs go up. Increasingly expensive gadgetry is only part of the story. Closed-shop unions have forced up labour costs to sometimes scandalous levels—but there the real villains are not in the B B C but in I T V.

In this respect the B B C finds itself almost like the good boy in the class who gets walloped because he happens to be nearest to teacher, while the bad boy is at the other end of the room. The I T V companies fail to provide the disciplines of the private sector because they are themselves effective monopolies in their own region. If the B B C accepted advertisements (so runs the classical economist's argument) the monopoly would be broken, advertising costs would tend to come down overall and everyone would benefit. Sadly, the economics of the media seldom seem to follow classical, or sometimes any, rules. Caution may be a good watchword for Prof. Peacock's inquiry. When told, as he will be, that the B B C won't be affected by having an advertising element because it need only be a little one, he had better remember the housemaid's baby.

Why Mrs Thatcher will do the hat-trick at the next election

LIKE an England team after many a Test match, the Cabinet, after the miners' strike can't quite believe that it won, or why. In the same way there are members of the Government who look at the unemployment figures and wonder why it is that Mrs Thatcher would win a General Election next week, as she probably would, polls notwithstanding.

Quite what is happening in British politics is difficult for anyone to perceive. We are living through a period of drastic change in the British social order and in how people think about themselves. This change perplexes the Left as much as it perplexes those members of the Cabinet. It also perplexes the Centre, including the Tory Wets.

The confusion was epitomised in an item a few weeks ago in the New Socialist, which noted that nearly three-quarters of contributions to the Christmas appeal for striking miners "came from what is normally considered Thatcherland."

One correspondent "in ultra-Conservative Guernsey," told the miners: "You are suffering for all of us. Bless you." "Carry on the splendid work," wrote a company director from Clacton. There can have been nothing like it since the Ishmaelite civil war described in Waugh's "Scoop," when among the donations to the progressive cause were three penny stamps from "a little worker's daughter in Bedford Square."

It would be straining for paradox to suggest the miners' strike was more popular with the middle than the working class. But there is a hint of truth in it.

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THE miners once had a large stock of emotional sympathy among all classes, now exhausted everywhere thanks to Mr Scargill, but it was exhausted more quickly among other working people than elsewhere. From industrial towns the strike appeared in a different perspective than from Hampstead: the worthlessness of the N U M's case was much more obvious. The miners were asking to be indefinitely subsidised, at the country's expense. This had some bearing on the Wets' perplexity.

Five or six years ago when the Wets—Sir Ian Gilmour, Mr Prior, Mr St John-Stevas—first began to put forward their critique of what has come to be known as Thatcherism their argument had several prongs. Monetarist economics were bad economics, they said, which may or may not be true. Deflationary policies would produce undesirably high unemployment, and it is certainly true that whatever the causal connection, the present Government's term of office has seen ever-increasing and now shockingly high unemployment.

Beyond an argument of humanity—two million unemployed, let alone three million, would be indecent—the Wets had an argument of common prudence. The social fabric of the nation simply could not sustain a 10 per cent. rate of unemployment: blood would be spilt.

The intolerable level of unemployment has arrived, and nothing has happened. Here the Wets have been confounded by events, as some of them in honesty (though usually also in private) have admitted. The only civil disorder we have seen since Mrs Thatcher took office has been from black youths in Brixton, Toxteth and Bristol, whose problems and grievances are all their own;

The Left has failed to understand the change that has come over the country since the inter-war years and will go on taking the consequences, argues

GEOFFREY WHEATCROFT

and from the striking miners. The British don't like high unemployment but they have decided to endure it. Why?

A part of the answer is to be found not in any of today's papers but in a history book. Whatever else may be said of Mr A. J. P. Taylor, he is no respecter of historical myths. In "England 1914-1945," Mr Taylor, a lifelong socialist, demolished the Labour interpretation of domestic history in the 1930s in a few sentences.

"Ask your dad" was the Labour slogan in 1945: the Hungry Thirties had been a dreadful time for the British people, the story ran. Not so, pointed out Mr Taylor. Throughout the 1930s:

> Those in work (and there were always more of them than in 1924) were better off than they ever had been. Hence the problem of unemployment, though formidable as statistics and terrible of course for those who endured it, remained strongly remote from the mass of the community.

If you had asked your dad and he had answered honestly he would have said that in the 1930s, "more English people were enjoying a richer life than any previously known in the history of the world."

Today in the '80s we are witnessing an uncanny re-run of the '30s. It is almost eerie to read those pages of Mr Taylor with a sense of immediate familiarity.

The same problems of "obstinate unemployment and the stagnation of British exports"; the same contrast between the wretchedness of the unemployed and the prosperity of those in work who are, after all, today 87 per cent. of the work force; and another unsolved problem: necessary economic changes "were retarded by the very success of social reform." Workers cushioned from penury by welfare and tied down by council houses are reluctant to get on their Tebbits and go and look for work elsewhere.

Some do, just as some did. The contrast now as 50 years ago is not just between those in and out of work, but between the kind of lives people chose.

In his "English Journey" of 1933, J. B. Priestley found the traditional Englands, on the one hand the country life of villages, squires, farming and field sports, on the other mills and mines, cloth-capped workers living in mean streets, drinking beer and keeping pigeons. But there was another, third England which Priestley found to his surprise, the England of advanced light industry, dormitory towns, strip development near arterial roads, prosperous and, if not "classless", then lacking in old-fashioned class-consciousness.

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THE surprising thing is not Priestley's discovery, but that he could be still writing about the 1980s as much as the 1930s. The first England, of fox-hunting and deference, has shown an astonishing resilience; so has the second England of decaying industrial cities. The third England is those expanding country towns all over southern England with new, high-technology industries.

The change has been very slow, but it is profound. This third England has little time for unions, none at all for workers in antique, subsidised heavy industry. Men and women who do skilled manual work no longer consider themselves "working-class." Great chunks of what was the working class have dropped away, and are lost to Labour for ever. These people are more numerous than the old, patriotic, deferential Tory working class, and more important. They are the voters who elected Mrs Thatcher in 1979 and 1983 and may well again in 1988.

We are left with a puzzling and paradoxical scene. Mrs Thatcher is the most hated Prime Minister of the century, and the most popular. Her victory over Mr Scargill has been almost as widely welcomed as her victory over Gen. Galtieri was. The Left finds it difficult to cope with the new intractable, undisciplined workers. The rigid political class structure has broken down for good.

Meanwhile there are the forlorn polytechnic students still collecting for the strikers at their moment of defeat. Shall we live to see a partly middle-class Labour party, and plebeian Tories?

Erased—the British Typewriter Museum

THE BRITISH Typewriter Museum, one of the world's largest collections of the machines, is to close next month and its exhibits sold-off because Bournemouth Council has decided to turn its seafront premises and those of the neighbouring Rothesay Museum into a car-park.

The Museum's founder, Wilfred Beeching, yesterday called the decision "a disgrace" and told me that the collection would be sold because there is no space to display it.

The collection traces the development of the typewriter over the past century. Indeed it houses the most valuable typewriter in the world, the 1902 Blickensderfer Ribbonless electric golfball typewriter, the forerunner of today's electric machines.

Beeching, who gave his collection to the town 11 years ago on condition it was put on display, is saddened by the municipal vandalism which has cost Bournemouth another of its attractions. Many of the machines, some worth thousands of pounds, are expected to be bought by collectors on the continent.

LONDON DAY BY DAY

Wrong door

THE SHOOTING of Major Arthur Nicholson has brought the Allied military missions in Germany back into the news and with them a reminder of an incident a few years ago at the Soviet mission to the B A O R at Bünde.

The Russians there live in a heavily wired compound and just outside its gate is the house occupied by the British liaison officer and his staff. There, late one night, the liaison officer, Major Tony Anderson, was aroused by an urgent tapping on the door.

The caller was a German civilian on his first trip to Bünde who clearly believed that he had gained access to the Russian compound. Anderson listened, with widening eyes, as the German gave a full account of his three-week stint recording British troop movements. Then he arrested the man and sent for the British military police.

Still batting

IT CANNOT be often that a former Prime Minister's assistance is enlisted for a cricketer's biography, but Lord Home has made an enthusiastic contribution to E. W. Swanton's latest book, on the doyen of Lord's and the M C C, the former England captain "Gubby" Allen.

Home was Allen's near contemporary at Eton and as the only British Prime Minister to have played first class cricket, later toured with him in an M C C side to South Africa. He has contributed a foreword to the book and several reminiscences about Allen, still one of the most influential men in the cricket world.

Swanton, a friend for more than 50 years, was Allen's choice as biographer and was given free rein of the latter's copious cuttings files. By coincidence, Allen's first Test Match — at Lord's against Australia in 1930 — was also the first Swanton covered as a journalist. The book, "Gubby Allen — Man of Cricket" — is published on April 15.

Caspar Weinberger, the American defence secretary, had a ready answer to a question at yesterday's briefing on the NATO nuclear planning group meeting in Luxembourg. Asked why the Americans had invited Australia and not New Zealand to participate in the research programme for a strategic defence system, Weinberger said: "We didn't have the address."

No Roman holiday

TO PURSUE its vendetta against the Vatican the anti-clerical government of Malta has now resorted to t withdrawal of sponsorship from a 14-strong delegation of Scouts due to meet the Pope this weekend and which now has had to be cancelled.

Last year two Maltese Scouts presented the Pope with a gift on Palm Sunday at a touching ceremony in St Peter's Square. Following the visit a special invitation was sent from the Vatican, at the express wish of the Pope, for Maltese Scouts to be represented at an international assembly of youth in Rome.

The government's action is a deliberate snub to the Church, coming as it does during talks between Prime Minister Mifsud-Bonnici and the Vatican over the fate of the island's Roman Catholic schools. A recent law prohibited parents from paying school fees for education outside the state system and the Church from receiving donations in any form.

V C honoured

A WARTIME winner of the Victoria Cross, Eddy Chapman, now retired and living in Pontypool, will be going to the regimental museum at Brecon next Tuesday, the 40th anniversary of his exploit, for the unveiling of a portrait and diorama of the action by Major General Lennox Napier, the Colonel of the Royal Regiment of Wales.

Chapman, then serving as a corporal in the Monmouthshire Regiment, won the V C as his unit advanced through Germany. He single-handedly repulsed a series of attacks by a battalion of officer cadets and rescued his company commander under heavy enemy fire, although he was himself wounded.

Restoration needed

THOMAS SUTTON, founder of Charterhouse, once lived in this Tudor manor house in Hackney at the end of Homerton High Street. Its last tenant was the Association



Empty shell

of Scientific, Technical and Managerial Staffs.

The union moved out more than two years ago and the National Trust, the owners, have done some repair work as a "holding operation."

Given to the trust as a memorial to two Scottish brothers killed in 1914-18, the manor house, drawn for me by Geoffrey Fletcher, now needs a sympathetic tenant to restore it.

Last week's Saffron Walden Reporter contained the gem: "One of Saffron Walden's best loved petrol pump attendants, Jack Morley of Cheales, who is well known for his unfailing cheerfulness, retires tomorrow on his 65th birthday. Jack's happy, courteous manner is a result of three and a half years in a Japanese prisoner of war camp during the last world war."

Lieder chosen

AS JAPANESE performers make an increasing mark in Western classical music, I suppose it should come as no surprise that one of the leading singers of German Lieder is now said to be soprano Mitsuko Shirai, making a concert appearance at the Wigmore Hall next month.

The diminutive Shirai — standing only four feet six inches tall — has made her reputation for singing with her pianist husband Hartmut Höll, who she first met on a German government music scholarship 13 years ago. Shirai's voice, while perfect for lieder, is apparently too small for operatic performances — a form of singing the Japanese have yet to get their tongues round.

Pique rates

A READER who stayed in a small hotel in Aix-en-Provence tells me of a notice she found behind the bedroom door. It said: "Bills are resented weekly."

PETERBOROUGH

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

CAMPAIGNING AGAINST DISASTER

SIR—Victory in Europe (VE) Day should be celebrated by a declaration of all belligerents to make common cause in the battle against natural disasters. The proposal should be made when President Reagan of the United States visits the European Parliament on May 8 for the ceremony which East European Governments are now likely to attend.

This would kill three birds with one stone.

First, concentrating on the future is surely the healthiest way to commemorate past sacrifices. It would present fewer diplomatic problems than agonising over the past; all the belligerents would take part, for they are already taking part in Ethiopia.

If Soviet Army helicopters, R A F Hercules and German Transalles can collaborate, with powerful American and French support, to fight a common enemy, diplomats should be able to do as much.

Secondly, a positive declaration is needed because a new initiative is now needed and would be welcomed worldwide. There is still no international co-ordination; the work of the United Nations Disaster Relief Organisation after 13 years has not measured up. Nor is it an executive body. It has no hardware.

Progress now depends entirely on what is made available by countries with muscle, and they are pre-eminently the main wartime belligerents. The main deficiency, as every report on every disaster monotonously reiterates—Ethiopia more than ever—lies in the realm of logistics: the ability to distribute supplies. Once again, as Sir Anthony Kershaw's Parliamentary Committee has reported, the stuff is piling up, not only in ports but also in inland depots.

The record shows that there are no political obstacles. British and Russian sappers worked in close harmony to rebuild Skopje, Yugoslavia, in 1963. Military aircraft of all the main Powers jostled on Dacca Airfield after the 1970 cyclone.

What is needed now is some system. In particular there should be better *arrangements for (a) forecasting, (b)* training in disaster-prone countries, and (c) joint contingency planning, so that everybody has some idea of what others could be doing and can set up stockpiles in strategic places, like Suez.

The senior Whitehall official who explained as recently as last October that R A F Hercules would never be allowed into Marxist Ethiopia can now take a very long pace to the rear and stay there. Disaster-striken governments are beginning to realise that thanks to television, earthquakes and famines can be big politics.

Col. Mengistu of Ethiopia does not want to lose his job in the same way as the Emperor 10 years ago. The South Italian earthquake in 1980 shook the Christian Democrat monolith to its foundations.

This raises the third point. It is high time to apply to East-West diplomacy the prime maxim in the Serviceman's handbook: "Reinforce Success." By all means soldier on in the mud of arms control negotiations: let us not weary of well-doing at Geneva. But, diplomatically speaking, disaster relief is open country. There is no limit to what can be achieved, not merely in the relief of suffering but also in the pursuit of peace.

For the habit of co-operation, though impossible to quantify in terms beloved of nuclear number-crunchers, surely has much more to do with preventing war than the diplomatic Eton Wall Game for which negotiators are once again shaping up at Geneva.

Hence it is strange to witness the tunnel vision of governments, mesmerised by arcane formulae relating entirely to theory, while a whole world of co-operation awaits them in practice. Yet disaster relief is not even on the East-West agenda.

Since the week in 1970 when television declared it open by showing the world what was happening in the Ganges Delta, disaster relief has been seen by the public as an activity which governments should get on with. The street-corner donations prove that.

What is now needed, and May 8 would not be too early, is a pledge of inter-governmental co-operation which will measure up to these donations.

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The collection of money from private patients

SIR—The Health Minister's statement of March 11 on alleged abuses of private medical practice in National Health Service hospitals states: "Michael Meacher has chosen to make wild allegations . . . We have reached calmer conclusions . . . ". This contrasts starkly with the headline above your report (March 12): "Doctors 'cheating N H S out of fees'."

If any individual doctor has deliberately been acting irregularly, this is something we would not condone, but let us make one thing clear — it is the health authorities' responsibility to ensure that there are proper arrangements for the collection of money due to the N H S from private patients.

Mr Meacher has not substantiated allegations against consultants whom he accuses collectively of "cheating." If money is being lost to the N H S, this is not because consultants are putting the money in their pockets but because individual health authorities are simply not collecting it. As the Minister says, "The authorities concerned will be chased by our department until we are completely satisfied that shortcomings have been made good."

To the vast majority of Britain's 12,000 hospital consultants, your headline is an insult.

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Cost of dentistry

SIR—Mr A. D. Fisher, consultant oral surgeon, objects (March 22) to "cosmetic" dentistry being available to National Health Service patients. He omits to mention that a small but significant amount of cosmetic surgery is done by oral surgeons in the N H S.

The new dental charges which patients will now have to pay include routine oral surgery at present done by dentists. The result of these new charges will be that many of these patients will now be referred to hospital and, after a long delay on the waiting list, will be treated by Mr Fisher in hospital at three to four times the cost to the taxpayer, as compared to when they were treated by dentists.

DAVID J. LIGHTMAN
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'Scorched earth' treatment

SIR—As a practising dental surgeon, I disagree with Mr A. D. Fisher's diatribe against his chosen profession in which he advocates a "scorched earth" approach to dental treatment (March 22).

Perhaps if he was just a humdrum dentist, carrying out humdrum but highly essential treatment on the humdrum but highly essential taxpayers who have to pay twice over for their necessary dental health, he would acknowledge the devastation wrought on the nation's dental health by the present Government.

Why should teeth be treated differently from family planning clinics or ingrowing toenails?

J. A. FEWSTER
Plympton, Devon.

Teachers at work

SIR—According to Mr V. Horrocks's letter (March 26), teachers work 1,500 hours a year. May I suggest that as a "professional" involved in figure work he has achieved an astonishing miscalculation?

If he and others like him are to be believed, a teacher would work for only six hours a day. A school day averages seven hours from start to finish.

He simply fails to include in his calculations the considerable time given to activities outside the curriculum. Marking, preparation, duties and meetings over the year would easily match the 2,100 hours he gives for factory workers and the 2,000 for accountants.

It is time that the public and indeed the Government realised that this demanding profession can no longer aim to be truly effective owing to decreasing morale and unrewarding salaries.

S. P. BARKER
Crawley, W. Sussex.

Severe sentences and the deterrent effect

SIR—In his article "A place for punishment" (March 22), Judge James Pickles criticises the former Home Secretary, Viscount Whitelaw, for urging courts to reduce their use of imprisonment. He suggests that this policy arose because "the Home Office was looking to the courts to solve its accommodation problem."

However, in his statements on sentencing, Lord Whitelaw consistently stressed that research findings strongly backed the case for a more sparing use of custody.

Throughout Europe and North America researchers have found that imprisonment does not produce lower re-conviction rates for comparable offenders than non-custodial measures; that longer sentences produce no better results than shorter ones; that harsher regimes are no more effective than other forms of custody; and that there is little evidence of a noticeable general deterrent effect from severe sentencing.

Moreover, Lord Whitelaw always emphasised that his advocacy of shorter sentences did not extend to violent offenders whose imprisonment was necessary to protect the public.

Judge Pickles criticises the present Home Secretary for extending parole eligibility to short-term prisoners. It was, however, illogical for parole to be available to long-term prisoners but denied to less serious offenders who represent the least danger to the public. Furthermore, research indicates that parole supervision reduces prisoners' likelihood of reoffending. To combine the impact of a short term in custody with a period of parole supervision is a sensible policy on its own merits, quite apart from its impact on the prison population.

It is unfair and inaccurate to suggest that such policies have arisen simply from a narrow desire to reduce the prison population. On the contrary, they draw powerful support from the results of research into penal practice.

VIVIEN STERN
Director, Nat. Assn for the Care and Resettlement of Offenders,
London, S.W.9.

Head 'losers'

SIR—Referring to Mr R. Richards's letter (March 16), he has my full sympathy on the lack of replies from potential employers. Not only is this a sign of bad manners but it is also an extremely discouraging situation for those seeking employment.

However, I have found, during the past nine months of job searching, that the "treatment" by management consultants and headhunters is even worse. It appears that many of these companies are not particularly interested in finding further employment for those who write in to them and the lack of replies is quite significant.

If the job seeker is lucky enough to gain an interview with one of these organisations, he is often confronted by a "consultant" with little or no commercial experience. I have had some 20 years' experience in sales and marketing and find it somewhat frustrating to be interviewed by a consultant whose only knowledge of commerce is limited to a degree.

With people like these in the business of finding jobs for those like Mr Richards and myself, I do not regard the future with much optimism.

K. B. MACLEOD
Norwich.

Material values

From Sir GILBERT LONGDEN

SIR—My old friend Lord Alport (March 25) may or may not be unnerved or resentful as you suggest but he is not much of a guide to Britain today.

Can he really believe, apparently with approval, that there is a "deeply ingrained British contempt for material values"?

If that is so it is a poor look out for the Welfare State for the huge funds needed to help the old, the young and the sick are not produced by slave labour or by pure altruism but only by those inspired, quite legitimately, by the profit motive.

But perhaps he means contempt for the effort necessary to enjoy "material values"?

GILBERT LONGDEN
London, S.W.7.

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DISASTER

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Half of Britain's Olympic athletes 'may take drugs'

By DAVID MILLWARD

NEARLY half the British Olympic athletics team may have taken performance-improving drugs, Sir Arthur Gold, chairman of the Sports Council's Drugs Abuse Advisory Group, claimed yesterday.

Speaking at the council's symposium on drug abuse, Sir Arthur said that Daley Thompson, the decathlete, had estimated that 30 per cent. of the team had taken drugs.

Another athlete had put the figure at around 60 per cent.

"I believe it is somewhere between the two," Sir Arthur said, admitting that because of the illicit nature of drug taking he could only make a "guesstimate."

However, among the United States team, he believed the figure was close to 80 per cent.

In January, the United States Olympic Committee admitted that several members of its cycling team had engaged in "blood packing" at Los Angeles.

This entailed removing a pint of blood weeks before a race, pumping it with oxygen and then reinjecting it shortly before the event, to improve performance.

With mounting concern at the level of drug taking, the British Amateur Athletic Board introduced a scheme of random testing in January.

Major meetings

Only athletes willing to take part in the scheme will be considered for international competition, major meetings and championships.

Urine samples taken from athletes at a "mutually convenient time" will be taken to the Chelsea College drug testing centre, headed by Prof Arnold Beckett.

Prof Beckett said yesterday that the Americans were still involved in a great deal of athletics drug abuse.

He added: "The Soviet Union is taking firm action on drug abuse and Canada has tougher regulations than we have."

Mr Charles Palmer, chairman of the British Olympic Association, said that potential Olympic athletes should be tested any time during the four years between Games.

He said that the B O A would be trying to persuade the International Olympic Committee to set up a "flying squad" of testers.

In-training testing would enable the detection of muscle-building drugs, such as anabolic steroids, which have a cumulative effect but, because of abstention in the weeks before competition, remain undetected.

In an attempt to stamp out drug abuse in all sectors of British sport, the Sports Council is considering sanctions against bodies which do not introduce an effective testing system.

FEARS OF COCAINE 'FLOOD'

By ANTHONY LOOCH

THE possible flooding of Britain with large quantities of cocaine is causing the Government increasing concern, Mr David Mellod, Home Affirs Under-Secretary, told M Ps yesterday.

He informed the Commons Home Affairs Select Committee that in the first two months of this year, 10 kilos of cocaine had been seized by British customs officials, compared with only three kilos during the equivalent period last year.

"We therefore have every reason to be troubled about it," he added.

Mr Mellor also said that it would be realistic to accept that the problem of drug abuse in Britain would get worse before it got better.

Effective controls

"Arresting it is going to be very difficult. It is not something which, be a simple series of dictates, the Government is going to resolve once and for all," he said.

It was however the Government's duty to create a framework within which effective controls could be established.

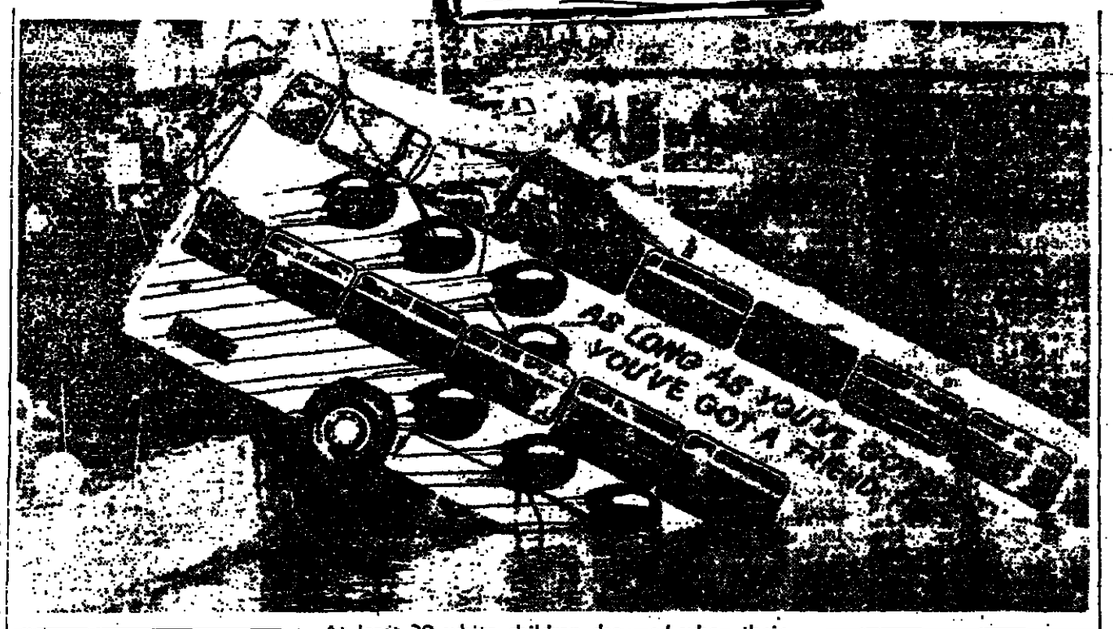
The committee started its inquiry yesterday into misuse of hard drugs. The chairman, Sir Edward Gardner, Conservative M P for Fylde, said it was the most important inquiry it would ever undertake.

DRUG-TAKING 'COSTS $30 bn'

By Our New York Staff

An analysis of calls handled by America's newly-established "hotline" for people with drug problems has indicated that drug use at work is far more prevalent than employers appear to realise. Cocaine was the main choice of drug.

A Federal Government study has estimated that lost productivity, poor public image, accidents, over-utilisation of health benefits, lateness and absenteeism, all because of drugs use, are costing companies $30 billion (£25·4 billion) a year.



At least 39 white children drowned when their school bus plunged into a lake after going out of control on a sharp bend near Johannesburg yesterday. Police divers were dragging the lake fearing that more bodies might be found.

STRENUOUS DAY FOR QUEEN

By JENNY SHIELDS in Lisbon

THE State visit to Portugal is a short one but the Queen is more than making up for that with a formidable programme of engagements.

"It's just as well she's so strong," a member of her household remarked during yesterday's strenuous round, which began at 10 a.m. and went on nearly until midnight.

Yesterday's programme began at the guest palace at Queluz, where the Queen and Prince Philip are staying, with a reception for the diplomatic community in Lisbon.

At the botanical gardens in central Lisbon, the Queen commemorated a visit by Edward VII in 1903 by unveiling a bust of her great-grandfather.

British-run school

Later the Queen visited the British-run St Julian's School at Carcavelosc, which was founded in 1932 and has more than 700 boys and girls

The Queen also met some of Portugal's M Ps. Although Portugal has been a republic for 75 years crowds were warmly welcoming as they spotted her in her pillar-box red wool coat and white straw hat.

While the Queen was ashore the Royal Yacht Britannia took a party of more than 120 British and Portuguese businessmen to sea for a seminar on British technology.

HILLARY'S JOB

Sir Edmund Hillary, 66, conqueror of Everest, yesterday assumed office as New Zealand's High Commissioner to India, reopening a mission that was closed as a cost-cutting measure in 1982.—Reuter.

Pan Am uses tough anti-strike tactics

By IAN BALL in New York

MEASURES as tough as those President Reagan used to crush a strike by air traffic controllers are being employed by Pan American World Airways to end work-force revolts.

They appear to have persuaded 5,700 members of the Transport Workers' Union to return to maintenance work after a strike that began on Feb. 28.

The mechanics are voting this week on a new contract offering a 20 per cent. pay increase spread over three years, but a senior union official has conceded "We lost."

Pan Am has initiated even stronger measures against flight attendants threatening to walk out on Monday. In the past four weeks it has trained 675 temporary flight attendants and at a school near Miami is turning out at least 250 a week.

It has told the flight attendants' union these will be assigned to flights if there is a walk-out.

What Reagan did

Already it has sacked 157 senior flight attendants who failed to report for work; and a union negotiator said that a "lot of 40-year-old gals" were terrified the company wanted to replace them with 18-year-olds.

The airline, struggling to regain profitability after staggering losses, had made it clear it would regard strikes just now as particularly hostile.

In 1981 Mr Reagan first warned striking air-traffic controllers that as Federal employees they were not entitled to strike, then dismissed 11,000 of them.

Vacancies were filled first by management and non-strikers, then by new recruits given speeded-up training, and the union that organised the strike later disbanded.

The Transport Workers' Union also represents in-flight food workers, and on the very day its strike began, Pan Am said it had sold its food commissaries in New York, San Francisco, and Honolulu, which left nearly 600 employees without jobs.

Already the airline has threatened to start local hiring of women in such cities as Vienna, Istanbul, Bangkok, and Hongkong to do the same work as an American attendant earning between $25,000 and $50,000 (£20,000 and £24,700) a year.

It has found it can sign on a young Thai girl for as little as $2,700 (£2,280) a year.

COCAINE CHARGE

Martin Darby, 39, a company director whose address was given as the Hotel Campo Allegro, Caracus, Venezuela, is to appear at Crawley today charged with illegally importing cocaine with a street vaule of £600,000.

£55,000 FOR 'NO VALUE' WAUGH Mss

By ALISON BECKETT
Art Sales Correspondent

EVELYN WAUGH'S hand-written manuscript of "Vile Bodies," which he inscribed to Bryan and Diana Guinness with the words: "I am afraid this will never be of the smallest value" was sold for £55,000.

The 1929 work, Waugh's second novel, was auctioned for Mr Jonathan Guinness, son of the couple (now Lord Moyne and Lady Mosley).

A godson of Waugh, he was given the manuscript by his father as a 30th birthday present in March 1960.

It was the only autograph manuscript of a Waugh novel not in institutional hands, the others having remained in his own library, which went to the Humanities Research Center at the University of Texas.

Oates letters

It was thought likely that the Research Center may be the anonymous buyer at Christie's who out-bid Quaritch, the London dealers who often represent the British Library.

A collection of letters and other material relating to the death of Capt. Oates on Scott's 1912 Antarctic expedition, which appears to support criticisms of the explorer, was sold for an unnamed vendor for £4,200.

Prices do not include buyer's premium which is eight per cent.

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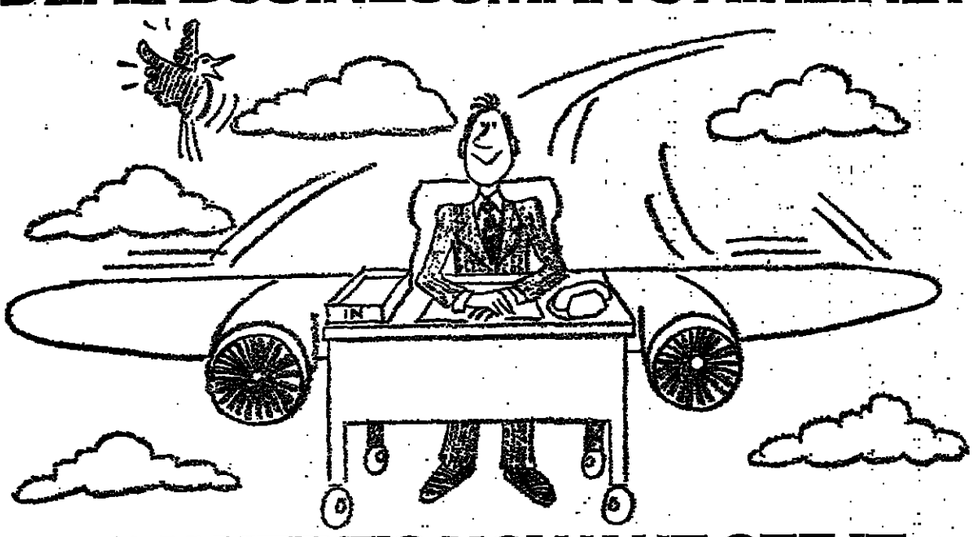
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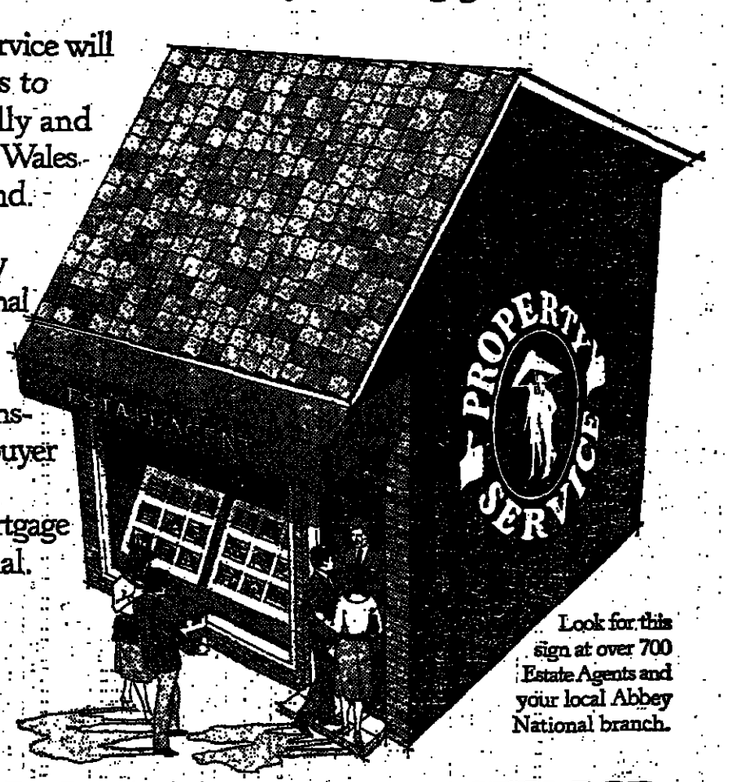
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ACCOUNT: March 25-April 12.
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BARGAINS TRANSACTED: 24,966.
RISES: 377. FALLS: 437.
UNCHANGED: 929.
EQUITY TURNOVER (March 26):
Number of bargains 24,386
value £342·83 million.
Shares traded: 184·8 million.

F.T. STOCK INDICES, March 27, 1985

	Index	Change	1984-85 High	1984-85 Low
Indust. Ord.	979·3	− 2·7	1024·5	755·3
Govt. Secs.	81·06	+ 0·28	83·77	75·72
Gold Mines	502·1	+ 1·8	711·7	439·5
Fixed Int.	84·68	+ 0·05	87·48	80·43
Ord. Div. p.c.	4·64	− 0·03	5·29	4·22
Earn Yld p.c.	11·52	+ 2·4	12·39	9·00
FT-SE 100:	1288·02	− 2·4	1309·9	986·7

STOCK markets were dominated by the gathering strength of sterling against the dollar yesterday and dealers were talking with new-found enthusiasm about a prospective cut in base rates. In the circumstances, British government securities took a distinct turn for the better, while store issues gained ground on the argument that cheaper money would encourage consumer spending.

However, some of the blue chips which have enjoyed a strong bull run this year on dollar earnings potential, were subjected to profit-taking by nervous holders, hence a situation where the main market indices were a less than fair reflection of the overall tone. The "30" Share Index, 1·3 better at 11 a.m., was finally 2·7 lower at 979·3, while the "100" was 2·4 down at 1,288·0.

The continued heavy flow of company results and interim reports brought mixed response in the shares concerned. **B A T Industries** improved to 356p immediately after the results were announced, but further study of the figures together with some concern about dollar earnings brought a swift reaction; the shares ended the day with a net loss of 25 at 328p.

On the other hand, **British Aerospace** were still basking in the good reception for Tuesday's figures and climbed 15 more to a new peak of 415p. **British Telecom** also attained a new high at 142p, up 3½.

Another major talking point in the market concerned the strength in bullion, which ended $7·75 higher at $331·75. South African gold shares staged an all-round advane, with notable gains in **F S Geduld**, at £22¾, **Randfontein**, at £84¾, and **Southvaal**, at £36.

Australian gold issues were also meeting increased interest. **Poseidon** rose 15 to 220p, **Sons of Gwalia** 8 to 87p, **Gold Mines of Kalgoorlie** 25 to 438p, **Carr Boyd** 7 to 67p, **Whim Creek** 8 to 158p, and **North Kalgurli** 5½ to 44p.

The market in British government securities had a strong session, although the index-linked issues were the exception with losses extending to £¾. Traditional stocks were led higher by the longs, which featured gains in **Treasury 12¼ p.c., 2003-05**, £1 up at £118⅝, and **Exchequer 12 p.c., 2013-17** £¾ better at £119.

Among banks **Lloyds** slipped 5 more to 535p on continued concern about the Argentine debt situation. Fading takeover hopes saw small offerings of **Royal Bank of Scotland**, 8 down at 276p, while elsewhere in the financial sector **Exco International** ran into profit-taking and dropped 15 to 708p. **Britannia Arrow** were 2 firmer at 100p after the results.

The prospect of dented United States earnings in the wake of the falling dollar prompted renewed selling of **Imperial Chemical Industries**, 17 down at 774p, **Jaguar** also 17 lower at 293p, and **B T R**, 7 off at 697p. However, **Christies International**, which also has a dollar earnings situation, advanced 16 to 626p on demand ahead of results due next Tuesday.

Beecham Group met solid investment support and closed 10 higher at 380p while another blue chip to gain ground was **B I C C**, 8 up at 253p. **Thorn E M I** remained under the weather and closed 7 down at 402p after 399p on worries about the Inmos subsidiary, while **G E C** declined 5 to 187p. **Lucas Industries** were 7 easier at 268p ahead of today's interim report.

There was a remarkable period of fluctuation in the shares of **The Times Veneer**. This took place after the official close of the market when news of the 20p cash bid from Corporate Development International was accompanied by a rights issue announcement. The price collapsed from 45p to 23p but immediately recovered to 45p.

Dealings were resumed in **U B M** after news of the bid from Norcros and the shares ended 27 higher at 187p, after 192p. Norcros closed 15 down at 154p after 150p. **Trident Computer** were 5 better at 76p after 78p following the offer from **Park Place**, 4 firmer at 160p.

Speculative demand in a sensitive market left **J Wilkes** 30 to the good at 255p while stock shortage also accentuated gains in **P C T Group**, 30 up at 170p, **William Collins**, 25 higher at 800p, and **Miss World**, 25 better at 270p, the last-named after the annual meeting.

Company results sparked gains in **Jantar**, 11 up at 24p after 26p, **D R G**, 8 better at 175p, **Associated Book Publishers**, 7 higher at 480p after 490p, **Supra Group**, 5 firmer at 41p, and **V G Instruments**, 4 up at 278p.

On the other hand disappointment was expressed with figures from **Minorco**, 37 down at 698p. **Morgan Crucible** — which also announced a rights issue — 12 off at 212p, and **Coats Patons**, 7 lower at 152p.

Although dealers said that the results from Babcock International were "nothing to write home about," the company's shares rose 9 to 155p as the absence of a rights issue touched off bear covering.

Other firm spots in engineerings included **Delta Group** at 144p, **Evered** at 193p, **Braham Millar**, at 81p and **Yarrow** at 500p, the last-named on compensation hopes.

The insurance sector was enlivened by satisfactory results from **Prudential**, whose shares advanced 25 to 618p, and **Britannic**, 14 higher at 692p. **Legal & General**, due to report today, climbed 20 to 706p, while gains of 15 were seen in **General Accident** at 608p and **Sun Alliance** at 475p. **Commercial Union** were again the subject of takeover speculation and the shares ended 6 better at 205p.

Stores were notable for strength in **Great Universal "A"**, which ended 16 higher at 784p. Interim figures from **Burton Group** were judged satisfactory and the shares improved to 459p, while buyers also favoured **Debenhams** at 214p and **Marks & Spencer** at 145p.

Woolworth were harder at 685p ahead of today's results, but **Waring & Gillow** lost 5 to 150p following the Hopecastle bid terms.

Pentland Industries established a new high of 546p before closing only 3 firmer on the day at 541p. **Ben Bailey Construction** reacted 5 to 27p on disappointment with the interim report, while the rights issue announcement left **Bespak** 8 down at 208p.

Little of interest developed in leading oil shares, which had losses of 5 to 7 in **British Petroleum** at 535p, **"Shell" Transport** at 698p and **Lasmo** at 350p.

Among the second-liners, **Charterhall** improved to 48p on the good results while sudden demand lifted **Marinex** 15 to 90p and **Great Western** 25 to 260p. Bid speculators were taking profits in **Woodside Petroleum**, 5½ off at 56½p.

Tailpiece

THE annual report from **British Vending Industries** confirms expectations that the company is on target for further growth in the current financial year. The chairman, John Syrad, states that the period has started well and that the group is seeking to consolidate its position in the catering market and to strengthen ties with its major suppliers.

The company operates in disposable cups and vending ingredients, fast foods, coffee services and medical disposables, the last-named section being an expanding supplier to the Department of Health and Social Security.

Originally recommended here at 16½p, and judged undervalued at 36p last November, the shares now stand at 62p. The dividend yield is only 2·5 p.c., but the good cover (3·9 times) and the undemanding price-earnings ratio of 12·7 seem comforting statistical factors.

BRITISH FUNDS

Short-dated (up to five years) · Medium-dated (five to fifteen) · Long-dated (over fifteen) · Undated · Index linked

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1984-85 High	Low	Stock	Price	+ or −
385	175	BAT Inds.	328	−25
95½	54½	Carroll Inds.	90	..
220	137	Imps	189	−5
201	112	Rothmans	183	−2

RIGHTS ISSUES

Issue Price	Stock	Price	+ or −
245	Fisons (nil pd)	67 pm	−8
70	Jacksons Expl (nil pd)	¼ pm	..
A$0.2	Oil Search (nil pd)	2 pm	−½
315	Trafalgar House (nil pd)	19 pm	−1
158	Utd. Biscuits (nil pd)	13 pm	..
240	Watmoughs (nil pd)	10 pm	−8

RECENT ISSUES

Issue Price	Stock	Price	+ or −
100	Alexandra Wkwr Plc	150	+8
82	BTS Group	76	..
185	Balford William	185	..
10	Bennett Fountain	13½	..
160	Berkley Tech	160	+5
90	Blue Bird Toys	135	−5
105	Consd. Tech. Inv.	95	..
85	Crown International	80	..
100	German Small Cults	101	..
135	Hillsdown Hlds.	158	..
—	Johnson Mt 8% CPref	155	..
145	Mann & Co.	156	..
100	Mayhew Foods	122	+2
55	Optometric (USA)	42	..
125	Osborne & Little	203	−1
—	P&O Conv. Pref. 6·5%	108	+1
130	Penney & Giles Intl.	176	+3
100	Pope	96	−3
—	Pleasurama 7% C.Pr.	118	−1
92	Process Systems	81	−1
—	Rand 7% conv.	110	..
20	Rex Williams	24	..
—	Sanger 8% C.Ln 94·02	150	+12
128	Sime Catering Bichrs	155	..
68	Spring TV	106	+2
£9-£85	Stain (Kel) 11% Ln 2016	£39	+½
174	Sunlight Comp.	215	..
—	T & S Stores	138	..
95	Whitworth Food Gp.	118	..

TOURIST RATES

Australia	1·70½ dollars
Austria	26·35 schillings
Belgium	75·50 francs
Canada	1·65 dollars
Denmark	13·55 kroner
Finland	7·91 markkha
France	11·50 francs
Germany	3·76 marks
Greece	*164·00 drachmae
Holland	4·26 gilders
Iceland	*49·00 kronur
Ireland	1·21½ punt
Israel	960·0 shekel
Italy	*2,375 lira
Japan	307 yen
Malta	*0·56½ pounds
New Zealand	2·54 dollars
Norway	10·87 kroner
Portugal	*202·00 escudos
South Africa	*2·45 rand
Spain	*207·00 pesetas
Sweden	10·90 kronor
Switzerland	3·17 francs
Turkey	505·00 lira
United States	1·21 dollars
Yugoslavia	*265·00 dinars

Rates indicate approximate foreign currency bank notes obtainable for sterling in Britain.
*Subject to limit.

LONDON FINANCIAL FUTURES

		Close	Day's range	Contracts traded	High-Low
Long Gilt	Mar	105·26	105·29—105·25	2	105·26—101·22
	June	106·27	106·31—106·04	2924	106·27—101·23
US T-bond	June	68·25	68·29—68·19	1600	72·16—67·28
	Sept			—	67·30—67·16
3 month £	June	88·46	88·64—88·41	1808	90·15—88·32
	Sept	89·07	89·07—88·93	349	89·08—88·88
3 month Euro-dollar	June	89·94	90·00—89·93	3852	90·89—89·22
	Sept	89·30	89·34—89·28	903	89·30—88·18
Sterling	June	1·2135	1·2145—1·1915	325	1·2145—1·0000
	Sept	1·2105	1·1980—1·1880	29	1·2105—1·0685
D-mark	June	0·3201	0·3203—0·3175	108	0·3201—0·2911
	Sept	0·3231	0·3216—0·3216	1	0·3231—0·3046
Swiss Franc	June	0·3774	0·3775—0·3761	4	0·3774—0·3463
	Sept				
Yen	June	0·3978	0·3978—0·3968	10	0·3978—0·3850
	Sept	0·4012	0·4011—0·4011	1	0·4012—0·4012
FT-SE 100	Mar	128·70	129·95—128·60	56	131·00—112·00
	June	128·70	129·00—128·60	213	131·15—120·40

Contracts specifications include:
Long Gilt—notional 20 year stock with 12 pc coupon and face value of £50,000
US T-bond—notional 15 year stock with 8pc coupon and face value of $100,000.
3 month sterling euro-dollar—£250,000 US$ 1 million with cash settlement option
Currencies are quoted against the dollar with face values of £25,000, Dm 125,000 SwF 125,000 and Yen 12,500,000
FT-SE 100 quoted one-tenth the index with face value of £25 per index point. Settlement cash only.

LONDON TRADED OPTIONS

Option	Exercise Price	CALLS APR.	CALLS JULY	CALLS OCT.	PUTS APR.	PUTS JULY	PUTS OCT.
BP	500	45	60	73	6	11	22
BP	550	13	23	40	30	35	42
Comm Union	180	28	37	40	3	6	9
Comm Union	200	15	25	29	8	15	19
Cons Gold	500	43	55	65	8	20	27
Cons Gold	550	12	35	45	30	42	50
Courtaulds	140	12	16	21	5	6½	10
Courtaulds	160	..	8	14	16	19	21
GEC	180	14	24	32	5	6	10
GEC	200	4	12	20	16	20	23
Grand Met	280	13	23	30	7	13	16
Grand Met	300	6	15	25	27	33	35
ICI	750	42	67	75	15	23	28
ICI	800	17	40	50	57	47	57
Land Securities	280	17	24	32	4	5	8
Land Securities	300	5	13	19	11	17	21
Marks&Spencer	130	18	23	28	2	3	5
Marks&Spencer	140	10	14	21	5	8	11
Shell	700	28	50	62	14	30	37
Shell	750	17	22	38	55	60	67
Trst. House	325	25	28	37	3	10	13
Trst. House	353	9	19	25	20	27	30

Option	Exercise Price	CALLS MAY	CALLS AUG.	CALLS NOV.	PUTS MAY	PUTS AUG.	PUTS NOV.
Exchequer 12pc 1989	£92	3½	3	4½	[illegible]	½	2½
Exchequer 12pc 1989	£94	1	1	2	[illegible]	1½	1½
Barclays	500	57	72	87	10	16	22
Barclays	550	25	37	55	32	40	47
BAT Inds	330	25	37	46	16	28	30
BAT Inds	360	11	22	30	38	50	57
British Telecom	130	15	18	23½	3½	5	8
British Telecom	140	8	13	18	6	10½	13½
Imperial Grp	180	13	26	31	7	11	15
Imperial Grp	200	6	18	21	15	18	21
LASMO	330	40	50	57	15	23	27
LASMO	360	28	40	47	12	15	20
Lonrho	160	16	24	26	25	32	37
Lonrho	180	6	11	16	3½	6½	8½
P & O	330	35	45	55	13	16	19
P & O	360	15	27	36	6	9	14
Racal	200	23	32	40	25	30	36
Racal	220	11	20	28	6	9	13
R.T.Z.	650	45	63	75	14	18	23
R.T.Z.	700	20	37	48	18	30	40
Vaal Reef	$90	13½	16½	15½	59	60	70
Vaal Reef	$100	9	10	12	4½	8½	11

Option	Exercise Price	CALLS JUNE	CALLS SEPT.	CALLS DEC.	PUTS JUNE	PUTS SEPT.	PUTS DEC.
Beecham	360	32	38	43	8	13	19
Beecham	390	11	20	26	25	30	34
Bass	500	65	83	90	10	13	20
Bass	550	28	40	52	27	27	42
BTR	650	65	75	..	13	20	..
BTR	700	35	42	60	35	45	54
De Beers	460c	70	90	105	23	35	50
De Beers	500c	45	67	80	40	55	68
GKN	220	15	25	32	10	13	16
GKN	240	8	14	20	21	25	29
Hanson Tst	200	25	31	37	6	15	16
Hanson Tst	220	14	20	28	13	17	21
Jaguar	300	21	38	43	16	20	24
Jaguar	330	18	18	25	34	35	37
Tesco	220	52	37	42	4	6	10
Tesco	240	18	25	20	9	12	17
FT-SE 100	1250	41	70	90	1½	33	68
FT-SE 100	1300	3	39	65	18	58	80

TOTAL CONTRACTS: 7,099

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Norcros agreed bid puts £119m tag on UBM

By RA TICKEL

NORCOS, the ceramics and construction group, yesterday returned with an agreed 201p-a-share offer for UBM, valuing the builders' merchant group at £119 million.

The new terms, seven Norcros shares plus 840p cash for every 10 UBM Ordinary, or 1898-a-share cash, come 17 months after Norcros failed to gain control of UBM with offers of up to £75 million, or 131p a share.

After failing once, Norcros was taking no chances with its new bid, worth nearly double the £65 million originally offered, and was prepared to pay a "premium" to win UBM's recommendation.

The market clearly believed it had done enough with UBM returning from suspension to close 27 higher at 187p, after 1:2p. Norcros, however, ended 15 lower at 154p, after 150p.

Assuming full acceptance, Norcros will, however, pay less than £107 million for UBM. It bought a 36·2 p.c. holding for an average of 127p a share, or £27 million, during its earlier abortive bid.

Norcros chief executive, Terry Simpson, said both sides had been talking on and off since the last bid expired. In the course of discussions the question of the Norcros holding and the possible benefits to both sides of a merger had been examined although talks leading to the new offer only began three weeks ago.

UBM chairman Allen Sheppard said the bid was being recommended because the price offered was a "good one." While stressing Norcros had not attempted to interfere in UBM's business, Mr Sheppard said UBM would have felt inhibited by the Norcros holding, especially when considering possible acquisitions.

Norcros believes there are substantial benefits to be gained from combining UBM's distribution expertise with its own manufacturing strengths and co-ordinating the marketing skills of both groups.

Both sides produced 1984-85 profit estimates yesterday, with UBM expecting to end with £13·5 million against £10·2 million pre-tax. The recommended exit earnings multiple is around 15, assuming a likely tax charge of around 40 p.c., against a sector average of under 10.

Norcros, meanwhile, is forecasting £34 million against £33 million pre-tax, reflecting £5 million of losses in its crane business and lower construction profits, but the dividend total is set to rise 14·7 p.c. to 8·6p.

Action already taken to right the Norcros engineering side had cost some £5 million which will be charged below the line. Mr Simpson said there would be no further charge and with its crane business expected to at least break-even, he did not expect any dilution in earnings per share in 1985-86 as a result of acquiring UBM.

UBM, which had borrowings of £30 million in 1982, is now in a net cash position. The ongoing group would start with a 65 p.c. gearing but this could be expected to fall ten points by the end of the year.

Sovereign Oil hits £18·2m

THE 1981 results from Sovereign Oil & Gas, now reflecting production from three oilfields, demonstrate substantial growth with pre-tax profits up from £3·37m to £18·2m—well in excess of the £15·5m forecast with October's £18m rights issue.

The company benefited from receiving most of its income in dollars and the fall in the oil price was compensated by movements in the exchange rate.

Earnings come out at 23·22p against 9·33p, but once again there is no dividend.

Coats tops £109m

PRE-TAX profits at Coats Patons jumped 26 p.c. to £109·8m in 1984, up from £87m in 1983. About half the increase as related to the weakness of sterling. The board looks forward to 1985 with confidence, and is lifting the dividend from 4·7p to 5·5p with a 3·5p final on July 1.

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Burton boost

INTERIM profits of Burton Group for the six months to March 2 rose from £26·1m to £34·7m. All major retailing divisions contributed and the interim dividend is lifted from 2p to 2·5p on July 26.

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Bunzl on target

FULL-YEAR results from Bunzl showing pre-tax profits of £27·6m (£17·3m) are right in line with January's £56m rights issue forecast of at least £27m.

So too is the 4·25 final, payable July 1, making 7·5p for a 36 p.c. increase. All four divisions increased profits but the major contributors to the rise were merchanting and distribution, up 95 and 107 p.c. respectively.

Babcock lower

BABCOCK International, hit by the miners' strike, reports pre-tax profits of £31·6m for the year to Dec. 30 against £24·1m, but there are somewhat brighter trading prospects so far this year. A final of 4·3p on May 28, makes 8p, an effective 14·3 p.c. increase.

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VG profits peak

SCIENTIFIC instrument maker VG Instruments, in which BAT Industries has a 69·4 p.c. stake, lifted 1984 pre-tax profits from £7·35m to a new peak of £10·6m on turnover 32 p.c. higher at £50·9m.

Orders received in 1984 were 41 p.c. up at £65m and with orders in hand at a record £10m a significant increase in turnover is anticipated this year. Earnings are ahead from 7·6p to 11·75p.

As expected there is a 1·2p final dividend on May 31 for a 1·8p total.

Levy appointed

PETER LEVY, son of Joe Levy, a director and one of the co-founders of Stock Conversion and Investment Trust, has been appointed a director of the company.

The move could be aimed at ending the bid speculation that has surrounded the group since the death of the former chairman, Robert Clark, last November.

Singer profits boost Arrow

RECORD profits of £9·1 million last year at merchant bank Singer & Friedlander have lifted the pre-tax profits of its new parent, Britannia Arrow Holdings, from £10·1 million to £14·1 million, with extraordinary items adding £6·3 million and exchange gains another £3·5 million.

Final dividend has been increased from 1·2p to 1·4p for the year, payable April 1.

WORLD MARKETS

AMSTERDAM (ANP CBS Gen)	204·2	+ 0·3
BRUSSELS (Stock index)	1,069·65	— 4·59
FRANKFURT (Commerzbank)	1,183·2	— 20·9
HONGKONG (Hang Seng)	1,350·65	+ 6·52
NEW YORK (Dow Jones)	1264·91	+ 5·19
PARIS (CAC General)	210·40	+ 1·00
SYDNEY (All Ordinaries)	826·5	+ 8·6
TOKYO (Nikkei Dow)	12,550·62	+ 64·67
ZURICH (Credit Suisse)	Not available	

U.S. RATES

Federal funds ... 8⅜ pc (8½pc)
Treas. 3 mnth bills ... 8·35-8·30 (8·36-8·31)
... 595·30 (596·05)
Long bonds ... Yield 11·79pc (11·71pc)

FT—ACTUARIES INDICES

Industrial Group	634·02	(—1·61)
"500"	677·82	(—1·98)
All-share	620·92	(—1·24)

THE fundamental issue concerning the value of the dollar, which dropped sharply again yesterday, was settled many months ago. The rapid deterioration of the American trade balance to the point where the United States was in deficit even on its business in computers, as all the proo thfat was needed to show that the American trade balance, to the point where the United States was needed to show that the American currency was far too expensive.

It went on rising throughout 1984 and in the early weeks of 1985 only because increasing numbers of speculators thought there was still time to buy it and sell it at a profit. So predicting the inevitable correction depended upon the virtually impossible knack of reading market psychology accurately. All that could be said with confidence was that some unexpected shock, which would turn greed into fear, would do it.

It now begins to appear that concern about the stability of the American financial system fits that description. First it was Ohio savings banks that closed their doors, more recently it is Texas banks whose energy loans have turned sour. What will it be next?

This spasm of terror is what is driving the dollar down. Holders of the American currency have made good profits, US interest rates are not especially high, the President's power automatically dwindles as his second term runs out; there is nothing to restrain sellers any longer. So speculators take fright and switch. For the moment the pound is the main beneficiary because British interest rates are unnaturally high. Gold also gains and jumped further $7·75 to $331·75.

Thus yesterday the pound closed more than five cents higher in dollar terms at $1·2320. At the same time the index that measures the average value of the currency surged from 75·7 to 77·6, its best level since September. And the pound did well against the Deutchemark, rising from DM3·7946 to DM3·8568.

CITY COMMENT

Home truths on true value of the dollar



"We've more than kept up with the Harvey Jones's..."

BAT record scratched

IT WAS bad luck on BAT Industries that at the very moment it was reporting record pre-tax profits of £1·405 million for 1984, an increase of 44 p.c. on 1983, the dollar was falling out of bed again on the foreign exchanges.

More than 40 p.c. of BAT earnings were in dollars last year and the 20 p.c. rise in the dollar against sterling contributed in excess of £200 million to the extra profits. So the market started discounting a setback to 1985 profits when it should have been savouring last year's.

Investors also reacted suspiciously to the new accounting treatment of profits at Eagle Star, which is incorporated in BAT results for the first time.

Realised gains and changes in the market value of the investments, excluding the life fund, are being averaged over a five-year period and put into the profit and loss account to flesh out the underwriting nad investment income figures. The change immediately adds £95 million to group profits for 1984.

Unfortunately Eagle Star's total contribution to BAT pre-tax profits last year was only £125 million and Grovewood Securities, Eagle Star's industrial holding company, of that.

The change took other insurance alone chipped in with £28 million companies by surprise yesterday, although several have been tinkering with accounting practices already. The new presentation also provoked generally adverse comment from insurance analysts who see it making an already difficult sector even harder to evaluate and compare.

Some brokers also wonder why BAT, which has many American shareholders, is adopting such a policy at a time when the American authorities are actively considering clamping down on cosmetic accounting which has become increasingly prevalent in the United States.

BAT's own brokers, de Zoete, think the switch is appropriate to a broadly-based group. The change also demonstrated that BAT is quite capable of geeing up Eagle Star without necessarily altering the management.

But for the time being the accounting decision has done more to draw attention to Eagle Star's disappointing underwriting results last year and the high price which BAT paid for the business 15 months ago.

This is a pity, because BAT as a group did remarkably well without either the appreciating dollar or the Eagle Star accountancy work. Turnover on commercial activities, as opposed to financial services, rose by 22 p.c. to £14·4 billion, the share from associated companies went up 55 p.c. to £2·7 billion, operating profits incuding Eagle Star rose 50 p.c. to £1,465 million and the final dividend of 6·25p makes 10·5p for the year, up25 p.c. on 1983.

As wel las buying Eage Star for £968 million in a largely cash deal and makin ga down payment on Hambro Life, BAT sold off International Stores and British American Cosmetics for a combined total of more than £300 million for two companies whose combined contribution to BAT profits last year was less than £25 million.

Whatever the short term results at Eagle Star, last year saw a distinct improvement in the balance of BAT's activities.

Profits were substantially higher in tobacco, retailing and paper and a whole new sector of financial services has been grafted on for 1985. De Zoete is confident that profits will continue to grow this year, even without a contribution from currency appreciation.

Yet BAT's critics continue to worry about the high cost of promotional activity in the sluggish United States tobacco market. Tobacco still accounted for 48 p.c. of total turnover and profit last year an dthe United States for 50 p.c. of turnover and 45 p.c. of profits.

The market responded to BAT's best efforts by marking the shares down 25p to 328p, where they yield more than 5 p.c. and sell on less than six times earnings.

Whitbread sues for $235m in New York

By JOHN PETTY

WHITBREAD'S £91·7 million takeover of Buckingham Corporation of New York went sour last night as it filed for $255 million damages, with $80 million of it sought from lawyers involved in the deal last autumn.

Buckingham had three key distribution agencies and relatively few other assets. Now Baron Philippe de Rothschild has withdrawn Mouton Cadet and Oy Alko has withdrawn Finlandia vodka. Cutty Sark whisky is not affected.

Whitbread is seeking $45 million actual damages and $100 million punitive damages against Rothschild and Alko.

In a separate action Buckingham wants $30 million actual damages and $50 million punitive damages from its former legal counsel. The New York writ says that "attorneys Abraham and Joel Buchman and their law firm secretly helped a former Buckingham executive to take the rights to distribute the wine and liquor brands."

Whitbread bought Buckingham from Beatrice Foods. Now it alleges that the "defendants fraudulently, intentionally and repeatedly made material misrepresentations" between August and January.

The writs also allege that Rothschild and Alko had decided last August to end the agencies providing they could cause Buckingham to be sold. They would then distribute direct via a new company to be run by a senior Buckingham employee.

Whitbread has already begun action against Stephen I. Karp, formerly senior vice-president of Buckingham.

● Whitbread has started buying shares in Matthew Brown again, the North West brewer which is the target of an £81·4 million bid from Scottish & Newcastle. Whitbread's strategic market purchases have frustrated bids before. Its holding in Brown has now gone up from 5 p.c. to 8·8 p.c.

Underwriting losses at Pru

By RICHARD NORTHEDGE

MASSIVE increases in the underwriting losses on the Prudential's general insurance business have cut pre-tax profits for the year to last December from £101 million to £78 million, which has left the dividend payment uncovered by earnings for the first time in the corporation's history.

Losses on past mercantile and general businesses are largely responsible, and reserves for that division have been increased by £150 million from 1985's £510 million following a report by auditors Deloittes and Peat Marwick Mitchell.

Mercantile undewriting losses increased to £93·6 million in the year to December, which with a £54·8 million loss on United Kingdom property, motor and other insurance, helped more than double total underwriting losses to £161 million.

Investment income failed to offset the deficits, however, leaving the general insurance division's trading loss more than ten-fold higher at £79·9 million. The loss would have been another £20 million higher had not the Pru changed to a policy of discounting future anticipated losses.

Profits on the Prudential's long-term business of life and pension policies improved sharply from £89·5 million to £136 million to offset other losses but still left attributable profits down 54 p.c. at £45·2 million, and the Pru is having to take £21·9 million from reserves to make up the dividend payment, which is being increased from 19p to 22½p in total with a 15p final.

The Prudential blames its insurance losses on poor premium rates and more frequent burglary claims plus bad weather and extended warranty business written in the past. Other companies are suffering similarly and the stock market had discounted troubles, allowing the share price to rise 25p to 613p yesterday.

Waring agrees £25m Spencer group bid

By JOHN RUDOFSKY

THE consortium led by former Burton chairman Cyril Spencer has negotiated an agreed £23 million bid for the Waring & Gillow furniture retail chain.

The offer comes from an off-the-shelf company called Hopecastle and is worth 160p per share in a unsecured Hopecastle loan stock or 153p in cash.

The loan stock has a 1990 maturity and pays 1 p.c. below six months London inter-bank rate. Half is redeemable from April 1986 and half from April 1987, and it is guaranteed by Barclays Bank.

Hopecastle has a £1 million share capital and is owned by Mr Spencer; Ashley Meyer, formerly of Debenhams, and Albion Trust.

Albion Trust is an investment bank and venture capital business set up last year and owned 50-50 by commodity group S & W Berisford and Albion's management. The necessary cash for the deal will be ultimately loaned by S & W Berisford.

Mr Spencer has already negotiated control. The board with 19·9 p.c. of the shares and Great Universal Stores with its 30·9 p.c. stake are supporting the bid.

Chairman Manny Cussins will retire and his son, managing director John Cussins also goes. His compensation is under discussion. Mr Spencer wants to revamp the 116 Waring & Gillow and Maples stores and expand the furniture range to attract younger buyers.

The stock has been a perennial takeover target, various talks have taken place, and so on Monday the Stock Exchange refused to allow a share suspension just because a bid was once again possible. Yesterday the shares fell 5p to 150p.

The business has net assets of £20 million, lost 408,000 in the six months to September, but according to Mr Spencer should finish back in the black for the full year.

Arabs pay £41m for Moorgate freehold

THE Arab Banking Corporation of Bahrain has paid £41·5 million for the freehold of 1 Moorgate, in the City, adjacent to the Bank of England. The price, which sets a record for refurbished City offices, equates to a rental of £38 a sq. ft. for the 49,392 sq. ft. building and suggests an investment yield of 4·25 p.c.

Edward Pryce, the partner of Cluttons which represented the bank in the negotiations with the owners Commercial Union Assurance, said yesterday: "The bank needed a really high quality building in a prime City location and 1 Moorgate, which is virtually an island site, is ideal."

Morgan Crucible in £21m call

REORGANISATION, growth and acquisitions at Morgan Crucible led to a 58 p.c. pre-tax profits advance to £15·5 million last year. Now the group is calling on shareholders for an extra £21·4 million (£20·7 million net of expenses) to help fund further progress.

The group is rapidly losing its "smokestack" image, with ever-wider industrial applications for new materials technology.

Sales last year were up 24 p.c. to £199 million, and after a 52 p.c. rise in earnings the group is paying a 4·5p final dividend making 8p (7·5p) for the year.

The rights issue is one-for-five and lodged at 185p, compared with the market price which sloped 12p to 213p on news of the cash call.

The new money will cut the gearing ratio from 45 p.c. to 16 p.c. but the group has an eye on several possible new takeover targets around the world. It particularly wants to boost its Far East and Australasian operations.

Managing director Dr Bruce Farmer says 1985 prospects are encouraging and he is predicting at least a maintained dividend on the enlarged share capital.

While not making his own forecast, he says he can live with analysts' forecasts which centre on £18·75 million for the current year.

Ocean Transport hits £28·7m

PRE-TAX profits of Ocean Transport and Trading declared yesterday for the year ended Dec. 31 were £28·7 million, compared with £7·2 million in 1983.

A final dividend of 3·35p (up from 2·35p) is proposed and will be paid on June 3. The total for the year is up from 4·5p to 5·5p.

The Cory fuel distribution group produced £13·7 million (£15 million in 1983) despite the pit and dock strikes. The marine side swung from an £8·3 million loss to a £13·4 million profit, chiefly through dividends from OCL. Heavy involvement in Nigeria continues to lay waste much of Ocean's direct shipping investment.

The OIL business serving offshore industries raised its profit from £3·1 million to £5·3 million but losses on other businesses went up from £3·5 million to £3·7 million. Reserves are £135·8 million. Strategy is to develop in non-marine activities, say directors.

Fed credit stance confuses Wall St

By JAMES SRODES in Washington

INDICATIONS that the United States Federal Reserve might adopt an easier credit policy in light of the sluggish American expansion pace caused confusion in New York financial markets yesterday.

Federal Reserve Board Governor Martha Seeger, a Reagan appointee, told a Congregational Committee that by early April the Fed's monetary aggregates will be within their target ranges.

She said that this slowdown in money growth, combined with recent evidence of sluggish economic activity will give the Fed "some room" to expand credit policy.

The Fed's policymaking committee meets next week and Wal Street attention has already turned to anticipation of that event because of the recent volatility in international markets and the Ohio building socety crisis.

Fed Governor Seegar, the newest addition to the Central Bank board, however, was not speaking for the Federal Reserve but merely expressing her own opinion.

Nevertheless, the comments sparked a quick reaction in the stock market and shares began to bounce back and forth on the heel's of an earlier rise.

The Dow closed 5·19 higher at 1264·91.

Gold, which had risen $6 in response to a sagging dollar in early trading, fell back in later dealings and was up $2·50 in early afternoon. The dollar continued to drop although the pace of the decline was not as brisk as in London trading.

Continued dismal news concerning the state of America's banking system buoyed gold buying.

● Sterling in New York closed at $1·2400 against $1·1825.

Irish insurers lose £120m

INSURANCE Corporation of Ireland, saved from collapse only by a last-minute rescue by the Irish government earlier this month, may have lost as much as £120 million in the disastrous series of reinsurance deals done through its London office.

Industry minister John Bruton told the Dublin parliament yesterday that "there are no grounds for believing that the losses incurred fall outside the range of £50 million to £120 million."

FROM FAIRVIEW ESTATES PLC

TO FROGMORE ESTATES PLC

In pursuance of the Company's policy agreed in 1982, its planned withdrawal from house building is substantially completed.

To underline its new status with a concentration of activities into commercial and industrial property investment, the Company's name has been changed to Frogmore Estates plc.

Interim Results (Unaudited)	6 months to 31 Dec 84	6 months to 31 Dec 83
	£000's	£000's
Turnover	17,073	19,563
Profit Before Taxation	4,626	4,021
Taxation	(1,855)	(1,287)
Profit After Taxation	2,771	2,734
Interim Dividend	613	550
Net Amount per share	1.768p	1.607p
Earnings per share	8.0p	8.0p
Estimated Net Asset Value per share	209p	194p
Contracted Rent Roll	£6.297m	£5.159m

Dividend

A Net Interim Dividend of 1.768p per share will be paid on 10th May 1985 to shareholders registered at close of business on 25th April 1985. This represents an increase of 10%.

Highlights from Chairman's Statement

* Pre-tax profit at £4.626m is up 15% and the estimated net asset value is now 209p per share.
* Interim dividend is up by 10% and covered 4.5 times by earnings.
* Contracted Rent Roll is up by 22% to nearly £6.3m.
* Activity on lettings, pre-lettings and new development projects is at a high level.
* Borrowings are down by 30% to just over £24m. This reduced gearing and consequent increased financial strength enables the further development and investment opportunities currently available to be grasped.
* The phased withdrawal from house building is substantially complete.

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1984 RESULTS AND FINAL DIVIDEND

We continue to make excellent progress with pre-tax profit breaking through the £100m level for the first time, 26% higher than 1983.

Earnings for ordinary shareholders increased by 35% and with no extraordinary items, profit for the year at £64.7m is double last year's level.

Final dividend increases by 20% giving a 17% increase for the year.

We look forward to 1985 with confidence.

HIGHLIGHTS

	1984 £millions	1983 £millions
Turnover	1,076.0	888.0
Trading Profit	121.8	94.5
Pre-tax Profit	109.8	87.0
Capital Expenditure		
U.K.	26.7	17.4
Total	69.9	49.1
Net cash flow	(27.3)	(8.8)
Gearing	31%	26%
Earnings per share	23.4p	17.3p
C.C. Earnings per share	12.5p	7.0p

The figures for the year to 31st December 1984 are abridged from the Group's full accounts which will be filed with the Registrar of Companies after the Annual General Meeting.
The historical cost accounts have received an unqualified auditors' report.

The directors recommend an increased final dividend of 3.85p per share (1983: 3.2p) which together with the interim dividend of 1.65p (1983: 1.5p) amounts to 5.5p per share (1983: 4.7p). This dividend will be payable on 1st July to shareholders on the register on 10th May 1985.

"With some recovery expected in the U.S.A., we look forward to 1985 with confidence, provided there are no substantial adverse exchange movements of the major currencies in which we trade."

W.D. Coats, Chairman

The Annual Report will be posted to shareholders on 1st May, 1985. Further copies will be available from The Secretary, Coats Patons PLC, 155 St. Vincent Street, Glasgow G2 5PA.

THE QUESTOR COLUMN

Put on Coats for warmth

EVERYTHING is finally under control at Coats Patons and the rewards ofr heavy investment in rationalisation are now flowing through to profits.

Assisted by a £12 million leg-up from the weakness of sterling, profits for 1984 have shot ahead from £87 million to £109·8 million before tax, bang in line with market expectations.

The growth stemmed, however, from only three of the major divisions, all of which drew benefit to some extent from the effects of translating dollars to pounds at $1·16 compared with $1·45.

The strong performers were the leisure and crafts business, industrial sewing products and precision engineering and die-casting. On the assumption of unchanged exchange rates in the current year each of those three is set for further expansion.

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Home sewing was flat, a reflection of the other side of the strong dollar, which was that clothing imports became cheap enough to dissuade some American housewives from making clothes at home. There are signs, however, that the business is picking up again.

The real disappointment in the results was retail shops and fashion wear. That is the division which takes in both Jaeger and Country Casuals, and the downturn in trading profits from £11·2 million to £10·1 million reflects two distinct factors.

The first is that Country Casuals overstocked and was faced with heavy end-year stock writedowns. The second is that the two retail chains expanded by 51 new outlets in the half year and all the opening costs have been taken out of profits. The effect is unquantified, but could have been around £2 million.

Benefits, rather than costs, should be coming through from the new shops this year. At the same time the recent German acquisition in hand-knitting wools and some recovery in the United States hand-knitting business — hit by an influx of cheap fibre drawn in by the mighty greenback — should put extra steam into the leisure and craft side. Industrial sewing keeps on upwards, while there are still rationalisation benefits to come right across the group.

All that points to current year pre-tax profits of up to £125 million for a price-earnings ratio of less than six. The shares at 152p should be bought for appreciation to 200p.

At that price they will sell at a princely eight times prospective earnings.

Enthusiasm over Burton change

SIX YEARS into its modernisation an dexpansion programme, and with sales and profits rolling up at 35 p.c. a year, Burton Group is ready once again to update its trading formula.

Based on the experience gained in a unit in Liverpool, Burton is setting its expansion cap at larger sites than the traditional high street double unit. The aim, simply, is to try to stay ahead of the game now that the competition is busy counterfeiting the existing style.

In some companies, a change of emphasis might be viewed with suspencion by investors. But in the case of Burton, it will be grasped with enthusiasm, because it has not put a foot wrong over the last few years.

Over the half year to March 2, 1985, Burton produced pre-tax profits of £34·7 million (£26·1 million) on sales of £264 million (£198 million). Of the sales increase, 11 p.c. was volume in existing stores, 3 p.c. price inflation and 17 p.c. from new space.

The store development programme will add 350,000 square feet by the year end, but the long-term aim is to increase the number of stores in the seven trading divisions from the present 1045 to 1650.

That alone underscores growth for the next four years, assuming the bottom does not drop out of the retail market.

Over a shorter horizon, profits look on course for £73 million this year against £56·4 million to put the shares at 457p on a 17 times earnings multiple. Demanding, but worth it.

Caution at Babcock

THE miners' strike, which cost a conservative £6·5 million in lost orders, robbed Babcock International of its prize for cost-cutting diversification and expansion efforts in the year ended December 30.

Market expectations had, however, been gradually scaled down as the strike dragged on, and in the event Babcock's pre-interest profits of £51·5 million compared with £37·4 million and the pre-tax result at £31·6 million against £34·1 million caused no panic.

The increased dividend and the group's commitment to improved profitability should, in fact, bring a few smiles.

At the trading level the United Kingdom power group and the industrial-electrical products interests, which turned from a £5·8 million to a £160,000 loss, spoilt a strong showing by North America and the FATA European group. In the other overseas territories currency weakness shaved South African profits in sterling, and Australia broke even.

Mechanical and process plant contracting improved from a £517,000 loss to a £1·85 million profit.

Babcock is attempting to reach more for the consumer and continues to scale down operations in heavy engineering. It hopes shortly to complete a $50 million acquisition in the industrial/domestic furniture hardware field to complement its Acco's Furniture Hardware interests. A recent $120 million credit facility leaves the group well placed for acquisitions.

Some of last year's deferred orders should be placed this year now that the miners' strike is over and group order intake continues to advance (£171 million in the first two months of 1985 against £150 million).

As long as the American economy does not lose too much momentum growth prospects there are reasonably bright, though at home the outlook remains mixed.

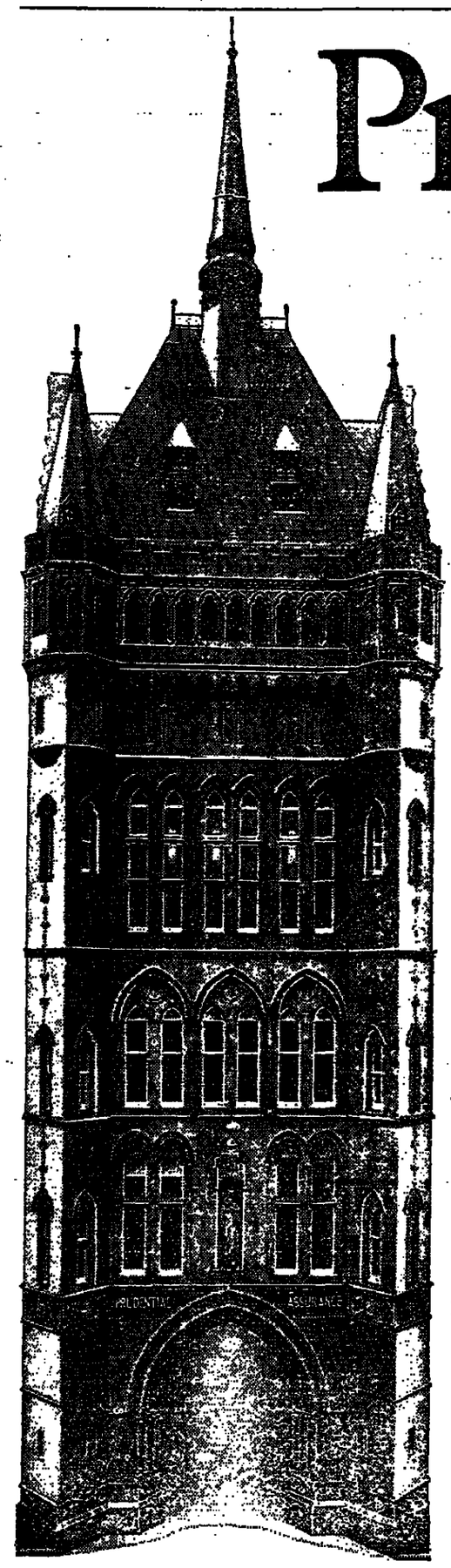
There is the hope of deals in China, there is scope for improvement on the contracting side, and redundancy and reorganisation provisions (up from £5·5 million to £5·7 million) should be lower in 1985.

This year's interim report will provide better evidence of Babcock's likely fortunes in 1985, but within a wide range of forecasts pre-tax profits of £57 million should easily be in sight.

At 153p, up 9p, the prospective price-earnings ratio is 8·5. The investment advice is caution until Babcock's fortunes are seen to have turned.

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Group Results 1984

Total profits before tax in 1984 were £78.0m compared with £101.1m in 1983.
There was a sharp increase in long-term profits but this was more than offset by substantial general insurance trading losses in two major divisions, United Kingdom and Mercantile & General.
The directors have declared an increased final dividend of 15.0p per share, making a total of 22.5p for the year compared with 19.0p in 1983. The increase reflects the advance in long-term profits, the strength of the Group's financial position and our view of prospects for the future.

		1984 £m	1983 £m
Long-term Business:	Premium income	1,837.5	1,542.8
	Surplus for distribution	1,099.9	753.5
	Policyholders' bonuses	1,011.3	694.5
	Shareholders' profit before tax	136.1*	89.3
General Insurance:	Premiums written	788.5	690.3
	Underwriting result	(161.4)*	(76.9)
	Investment income	81.5	69.3
	Trading profit (loss) before tax	(79.9)	(7.6)
Shareholders' Other Income:	Investment income	24.5	20.7
	Miscellaneous net income	0.1	0.8
	Expenses	(2.8)	(2.1)
	Other income before tax	21.8	19.4
Profit and Loss Account Summary:	Profit before tax from:		
	Long-term business	136.1	89.3
	General insurance	(79.9)	(7.6)
	Shareholders' other income	21.8	19.4
	Total profit before tax	78.0	101.1
	Tax	(31.9)	(31.6)
	Minority interests	(0.9)	(0.6)
	Profit attributable to shareholders	45.2	68.9
Earnings per share		15.1p	23.1p
Dividend per share		22.5p	19.0p

**There are special features in these items, which are explained and quantified in the text.*
1. This year, for the first time, shareholders' long-term profits are shown gross of the attributable tax. 1983 figures have been restated to reflect this and also a change in group accounting policy in 1984 in relation to reserving for accident non-proportional reinsurance business (see text).
2. The abridged income statement for 1984 is an extract from the latest accounts. These accounts have not yet been delivered to the Registrar of Companies, nor have the auditors reported on them.

Long-Term Business
We have again made substantial increases in benefits payable on UK with-profits policies. We have also converted a substantial part of the terminal bonus element on long standing assurance policies to reversionary form, to give policyholders greater certainty as to the eventual proceeds under their policies. The total value of bonuses declared world-wide exceeded £1bn. Shareholders' profit before tax from long-term business was 52% higher at £136.1m. This includes a largely non-recurrent amount of £24.0m before tax at Prudential Assurance resulting from the conversion of terminal bonuses to reversionary form.

General Insurance Business
The general insurance trading loss before tax was sharply higher at £79.9m. Total premiums written rose by 14% in sterling terms, or 7% adjusted for exchange rate movements.

	Premiums written		Underwriting result		Investment income		Trading profit (loss) before tax	
	1984 £m	1983 £m	1984 £m	1983 £m	1984 £m	1983 £m	1984 £m	1983 £m
UK Division	279.0	240.7	(54.8)	(25.6)	24.6	23.5	(30.2)	(2.1)
Overseas Division:								
Canada	100.9	92.1	(1.3)	4.4	9.3	8.0	8.0	12.4
EEC	51.2	42.2	(3.9)	(4.2)	7.5	6.3	3.6	2.1
Other Countries	19.5	17.6	(0.5)	(2.3)	1.6	1.5	1.1	(0.8)
London Market-Overseas	34.8	33.2	(5.8)	(5.8)	4.7	3.4	(1.1)	(2.4)
Total Overseas	206.4	185.1	(11.5)	(7.9)	23.1	19.2	11.6	11.3
Marine and Aviation	26.2	20.9	(1.5)	(3.5)	2.6	2.4	1.1	(1.1)
Mercantile & General	276.9	243.6	(93.6)	(39.9)	31.2	24.2	(62.4)	(15.7)
Total	788.5	690.3	(161.4)	(76.9)	81.5	69.3	(79.9)	(7.6)

In the United Kingdom the major features of the £30.2m trading loss before tax were significant increases in the number of claims in most classes of business and bad weather claims of some £8.5m in the first quarter of the year.

In the Overseas Division there was a very satisfactory trading profit of £11.6m before tax.

Mercantile & General
The sharply higher trading loss of £62.4m before tax has arisen principally on business written in earlier years. Following a thorough review of reserving policy we have strengthened the basis on which we estimate the required level of claims reserves. We have also decided to discount reserves for non-proportional accident business in order to reflect the long average time taken to settle claims which is characteristic of this class of business. The effect of discounting has been to reduce the reported underwriting loss for 1984 by some £20m. The corresponding figure for 1983 would have been £3m and is reflected in the restated 1983 results. During the treaty renewal season at the end of 1984 we improved still further the terms on which we were prepared to continue to write business. Together with our sound reserves, this provides a basis for recovery.

Capital Resources
The total capital resources of the Group at the end of 1984 amounted to £535m, equivalent to 66% of the general insurance premium income.

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A B·A·T Industries Report
Preliminary results for the year ended 31 December 1984

Profit up 44% – and again doubled in three years



The acquisition of Eagle Star Holdings in January 1984 made this a year of great significance for the Group's strategic development, and the inclusion of financial services for the first time has an important impact on the Group's results.

The results of Eagle Star are now arrived at on a basis which recognises the contribution from changes in the market value of the general insurance business' investment portfolio. This contributes £95 million of pre-tax earnings, in addition to what would have been reported under the previous policy used by Eagle Star.

Hambro Life's figures are not included in these results, since it joined the Group after the year-end, but its acquisition marks a further development of financial services as one of our four major business activities, along with tobacco, retailing and paper.

In 1984 B.A.T Industries again achieved a very fine performance. Pre-tax profit increased by 44 per cent to reach a record £1,405 million, and so once again has more than doubled within three years.

Group turnover from commercial activities increased by 22 per cent to £14,426 million, and there was also £1,077 million of premium income from financial services.

Group operating profit increased by 50 per cent to £1,465 million. This includes £1,148 million from commercial activities (35 per cent higher), £192 million from associated companies (54 per cent higher) and £125 million from the insurance operations of Eagle Star. Profit attributable to B.A.T Industries' shareholders increased by 43 per cent to £784 million.

The substantial increase in pre-tax profit once again demonstrates the Group's capacity to achieve real profit growth. Even after allowing for the exchange benefit from the strong dollar and the effects of changes in the composition of the Group, real growth over inflation of around 10 per cent has been achieved.

The recovery in tobacco continued, with volume steady and trading profit 29 per cent higher in sterling terms. Exchange rate fluctuations were an important factor, but higher selling prices and improved productivity provided elements of real growth in profitability. Brown & Williamson held its share of a slightly higher US market. There was a strong improvement in West Germany, and good Brazilian results were helped by leaf export profits. Barclay gained ground in Europe. There were good performances in Latin America, Hong Kong, Malaysia and Africa.

Retailing had a mixed year despite a 34 per cent increase in trading profit in sterling terms. Business in the US was influenced by high stocks and general price cutting, which affected most of BATUS Retail's companies, so that overall results in the US were less good than in 1983. But this was more than offset by the strength of the dollar, a sharp improvement in the UK, led by a very strong Argos performance, and the inclusion of four months' figures from Horten, which became a Group subsidiary in August. International Stores was sold to Dee Corporation at the end of the year.

Paper had an outstanding year, with trading profit 44 per cent higher. Appleton improved on an already impressive performance and is investing heavily in the strong growth of its North American markets, while in Europe and the UK, Wiggins Teape took full advantage of improved markets and several years of new investment and restructuring.

The insurance industry had a very poor year, and had Eagle Star been acquired for its first year earnings alone it would have proved a disappointment. But in the context of long-term strategy its performance was encouraging, and its results, compared to those of other insurance companies, endorse our original view of the high quality of its management.

Mardon Packaging again showed a strong improvement, with volume growth in Europe and the UK, and trading profit up 46 per cent, despite strong competition.

Other trading activities now include Grovewood Securities, which achieved its seventeenth year of uninterrupted profit growth. The home improvements business in Germany suffered from a decline in consumer confidence. There was an encouraging profit performance from our enlarged interests in fruit juice in Brazil. Lower profits were reported by the cosmetics companies which since the year-end have been sold to the Beecham Group.

Our associated companies continued to grow rapidly in significance. Imasco was again a major contributor, with an increased market share in tobacco and further expansion in restaurants and drug stores. Aracruz in Brazil benefited greatly from high exports of pulp priced in US dollars.

Reflecting acquisitions and the growth of our existing businesses, the total net assets shown in the Group balance sheet increased by £2.6 billion. It is a demonstration of the Group's financial strength that less than half of this substantial increase was financed by higher borrowings.

In the light of these excellent results, the Board will be recommending a final dividend of 6.25p, making a total for the year of 10.3p, an increase of 25 per cent over the previous year.

PROSPECTS

The world's economy continues to emerge from the long recession but instability of exchange and interest rates continues. In the industrialised world and developing countries our businesses continue to progress in this more encouraging environment. I shall comment fully on the prospects for this year at the Annual General Meeting.

PATRICK SHEEHY, Chairman

GROUP RESULTS

Year ended 31 December 1984	1984 £ millions*	1983 £ millions	change
TURNOVER (including duty and excise taxes)			
Commercial activities	14,426	11,846	+22%
Financial services	1,077	—	—
Share of associated companies	2,700	1,993	+35%
Commercial activities' trading profit	1,148	851	+35%
Financial services' profit before taxation	125	—	—
Share of associated companies' profit before taxation	192	125	+54%
Operating profit	1,465	976	+50%
Net interest	(60)	3	—
PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES BEFORE TAXATION	1,405	979	+44%
Taxation on ordinary activities	(532)	(373)	+43%
Profit on ordinary activities after taxation	873	606	+44%
Attributable to minority shareholders	(89)	(59)	+51%
ATTRIBUTABLE TO B.A.T INDUSTRIES	784	547	+43%
Dividends	(151)	(120)	+25%
Earnings per share	53·552p	37·569p	+43%
DIVIDENDS PER SHARE	10·300p	8·250p	+25%

ANALYSES

Year ended 31 December	1984 £ millions*	%	1983 £ millions	%
INDUSTRIAL				
Turnover				
Tobacco	6,943	48	6,138	52
Retailing	4,511	31	3,528	30
Paper	1,379	10	1,051	9
Packaging & printing	659	5	537	4
Other trading activities	934	6	592	5
Commercial activities	14,426	100	11,846	100
Profit				
Tobacco	698	48	542	56
Retailing	221	15	165	17
Paper	144	10	100	10
Packaging & printing	35	2	24	2
Other trading activities	50	3	20	2
Commercial activities	1,148	78	851	87
Financial services	125	9	—	—
Associated companies	192	13	125	13
Operating profit	1,465	100	976	100
GEOGRAPHICAL				
Turnover				
United Kingdom	2,346	16	2,167	18
Europe	3,095	21	2,367	20
North America	5,828	40	4,521	38
Latin America	1,721	12	1,601	14
Asia	939	7	725	6
Africa	411	3	398	3
Australasia	86	1	67	1
Commercial activities	14,426	100	11,846	100
Profit				
United Kingdom	106	7	80	8
Europe	109	7	65	7
North America	657	45	485	50
Latin America	138	10	113	11
Asia	83	6	61	6
Africa	49	3	41	4
Australasia	6	—	6	1
Commercial activities	1,148	78	851	87
Financial services	125	9	—	—
Associated companies	192	13	125	13
Operating profit	1,465	100	976	100

DIVIDENDS

The directors will be recommending to the shareholders at the Annual General Meeting to be held on 16 May 1985 the payment on 2 July 1985 of a final dividend for the year of 6·25p per ordinary share of 25p.
Transfers received in order by the Registrar of the Company up to 4 June 1985 will be in time to rank for payment of the final dividend.
The following is a summary of the dividends declared for the years to 31 December 1984 and 1983.

	1984	1983
Interim paid 16.11.84	4·050p	3·375p
Final proposed payable 2.7.85	6·250p	4·875p
	10·300p	8·250p

EXCHANGE RATE EFFECTS

The results of overseas subsidiaries have been translated into sterling for the purpose of this report at exchange rates ruling on 31 December in each year. Had the same exchange rates ruled at the end as at the beginning of the year, it is estimated that the figures would have been as follows:

Year to 31 December 1984	£ millions	% change
Turnover—commercial activities	12,600	+6
Trading profit—commercial activities	970	+14
Operating profit	1,255	+29
Profit before taxation	1,200	+23
Net profit attributable to B.A.T Industries	660	+21

*£1 Sterling = US$ 1·16 (Dec 1984); US$ 1·45 (Dec 1983).

INDUSTRIAL REVIEWS

TOBACCO

In sterling terms, turnover rose by 13 per cent, trading profit by 29 per cent. Brown & Williamson increased turnover by 6 per cent in dollars and trading profit by over 17 per cent, reflecting higher US cigarette prices and productivity. In West Germany, BATCF had 7 per cent volume growth, raised market share a point to 25 per cent, and strongly improved profitability. Brazilian cigarette profits were affected by price increases lower than inflation, but leaf exports grew and overall profit increased by 25 per cent in sterling.

Export volume and profit from the UK were substantially down. US export volumes continued depressed by the dollar's strength but profit was maintained, and BATCF's profitable West German export business increased volume and turnover.

Termination of direct sales and distribution in the UK eliminated losses. In Europe, only the Finnish market showed growth but most companies benefited from Barclay's continued good performance and, except for Belgium, their trading profits improved.

Most Latin American countries improved turnover and trading profit, in Hong Kong profit rose significantly, and despite difficult economic conditions the African companies increased profits.

RETAILING

Turnover increased by 28 per cent, trading profit by 34 per cent in sterling terms. Price discounting and intensive promotional activity affected the US industry, and although BATUS Retail's sales grew by over 7 per cent, trading profit in dollars was down 10 per cent. Saks Fifth Avenue increased turnover but with lower profit, but Marshall Field and Kohl's Department Stores had a good year with turnover and trading profit up. Breuners' furnishing retail and rental stores increased turnover and profit significantly. Gimbels-Midwest's trading profit rose strongly, but it was down at Gimbels-Pittsburgh and Gimbels-East.

In the UK, Argos made substantial gains in sales and trading profit, and increased its showrooms by 21 to 154. A new concept, Jewellers Guild, went into test with 15 stores. International Stores was sold to Dee Corporation as a growing and profitable business. The West German department store group, Horten, became a subsidiary in August and contributed £26 million trading profit.

PAPER

Turnover increased by 31 per cent and trading profit by 44 per cent in sterling terms. Appleton Papers had another record year, with dollar turnover up 23 per cent and trading profit 22 per cent, due mainly to higher sales volume and improved raw material conversion and productivity. In the UK, capacity utilisation was at a five-year high, Wiggins Teape's sales rose 17 per cent, and exports rose by a third to £132 million. UK profits doubled. The European carbonless copying paper business continued strong growth, the merchants increased margins, and profit increased substantially.

FINANCIAL SERVICES

The overall profit of the insurance operations comprises the underwriting results on general business risks, life business profits and returns on the investment portfolio. Eagle Star has adopted a new accounting policy which recognises, in the investment returns, both income earned and investment performance comprising realised gains and the change in market value over the year of investments held at the year end. This investment performance is taken to profit by reference to a five-year moving average.

On this basis, in 1984 Eagle Star contributed £125 million to Group operating profit–including £95 million arising from the change in accounting policy–compared to a pre-tax surplus for 1983 of £140 million.

Grovewood Securities' profit is included separately in trading profit from commercial activities. Without the change in accounting policy, the pre-tax surplus (excluding Grovewood) would have been £30 million, against £67 million.

General business premiums increased by 16 per cent to £665 million and the underwriting loss was £126 million. In the UK, premium income increased by 15 per cent but property, motor and liability account losses were also higher. Overseas premium income rose by 13 per cent, and life assurance premiums worldwide rose by 31 per cent to £412 million. In the UK, total new annual life premiums were down but new single premiums were up 46 per cent.

Turnover of **Mardon Packaging International** rose by 23 per cent, with trading profit up 46 per cent. There was some growth in the UK and Europe and volume and productivity gains gave higher profit. North America was also well up.

In **other trading activities**, the West German home improvements operations were affected by lower consumer confidence, turnover rose slightly but profit was down. Grovewood Securities, the investment holding company acquired with Eagle Star, made another record trading profit, up 21 per cent at £28 million. The Group's cosmetics interests, now sold, reported turnover up 12 per cent but trading profit 9 per cent down.

There was another strong increase in the Group's share of pre-tax profits of **associated companies**, up 54 per cent to £192 million. Imasco raised Canadian dollar pre-tax profit by 19 per cent. In Australia, AMATIL's profit was up 27 per cent in sterling terms. Pulp production at Aracruz Celulose, Brazil, was 6 per cent higher and profit increased significantly. Skandinavisk Holding's pre-tax profit increased by 45 per cent in sterling.

These figures for the year ended 31 December 1984 have been extracted from the full financial statements to be delivered to the Registrar of Companies, and carry an unqualified audit report. The Report and Accounts will be available on 24 April 1985. The Annual General Meeting will be held on 16 May 1985.

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SOVEREIGN OIL & GAS PLC

Year ended 31st December	1984 (Unaudited) £million	1983 £million
● TURNOVER	54.6	6.8
● PRE-TAX PROFITS	18.2	3.4
● POST-TAX PROFITS	10.6	3.4
● EARNINGS PER SHARE	28.32p	9.33p

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COMMODITIES

LONDON METAL MARKETS

Rudolf Wolff Report

COPPER: Barely steady. Wire bars: Off settlement £1,159·50 (£1,201), off midday cash £1,158·50-£1,159·50, 3 months £1,179-£1,180, after close cash £1,151-£1,152, 3 months £1,171·50-£1,172. T/O 14,375 Tonnes.

CATHODES: Idle. Off settlement £1,164 (£1,207), off midday cash £1,160-£1,164, 3 months £1,177-£1,182, after close cash £1,154-£1,157, 3 months £1,172-£1,174. T/O Nil Tonnes.

TIN: Barely steady. Off settlement £9,585 (£9,660), off midday cash £9,580-£9,585, 3 months £9,575-£9,576, after close cash £9,556-£9,560, 3 months £9,556-£9,560. T/O 1,395 Tonnes.

LEAD: Steady. Off settlement £296 (£305·50), off midday cash £295·50-£296, 3 months £304-£304·50, after close cash £302·50-£303·50, 3 months £301·50-£302. T/O 5,700 Tonnes.

ZINC: Barely steady. Off settlement £780 (£776), off midday cash £779-£780, 3 months £737-£738, aft close cash £774-£775, 3 mths £734-£735. T/O 10,050 tonnes.

SILVER: Quiet. Midday cash 546p-547p, 3 mths 565p-566p, aft close cash 531·50p-542·50p, 3 mths 560·50p-562p. T/O 34 lots of 10,000 ozs each.

ALUMINIUM: Barely steady. Off settlement £890·50 (£920·50) off midday cash £890-£890·50, 3 mths £921·50-£922, aft close cash £884-£885, 3 mths £916-£917. T/O 15,350 tonnes.

NICKEL: Easier. Off settlement £4,340 (£4,435), off midday cash £4,330-£4,340, 3 mths £4,370-£4,375, aft close cash £4,265-£4,275, 3 mths £4,305-£4,310. T/O 1,680 tonnes.

LONDON SILVER MARKET: Spot 544·30 (532·95), 3 mths 562·50 (550·45), 6 mths 576·55 (565·70), 1 yr 601·05 (596·70).

PLATINUM: Free-market £299·90 (£251·25).

LONDON GOLD FUTURES, price in $: April 329·70. T/O 1 lot.

LONDON COMMODITY MARKETS

RUBBER: Spot 67-71 (67-71). Futures: Tracting: April £715-£745, May £725-£735, June £735-£765, July £745-£775, Aug. £755-£785, Sept. £755-£795, Oct. £775-£805, Nov. £785-£815, Dec. £795-£825. T/O 1 lot.

SISAL: East African quoted levels. No. 1 Basis $660, No. 3 Long $640. C.I.F. Antwerp prices.

SUGAR: London daily price. Raws £93: $112. No. 6 Contract. $ per tonne. May 113·80-116, Aug. 119·50-120, Oct. 123·50-124, Dec. 130-150, March 143-143·40, May 148-148·60, Aug. 155·60-154·20. T/O 1,786 lots.

COFFEE (£ per tonne): March 2180, May 2215, July 2275, Sept. 2281, Nov. 2317, Jan. 2370, March 2380. Sales: 2,376.

COCOA (£ per tonne): March 1996 sel 1985 bus, May 2026-2035, July 1982-1947, Sept. 1967-1966, Dec. 1886-1885, March 1870-1835, May 1895-1885. Sales 5,350. Options 7.

SOYA MEAL: Easier. June £34·10-£34·50, Aug. £33·70-£34·30, Oct. £38-£38·50, Dec. £43-£44·50, Feb. £48·50-£49·50, April £50·80-52. T/O 519 lots.

GAS OIL FUTURES

GAS OIL: March 243·50-45·00, April 234·00-35·50, May 230·00-29·75, June 226·50-26·00, July 226·00-25·75, Aug. 230·00-27·00, Sept. 255·00-27·00, Oct. 256·00-27·00, Nov. 258·00-25·00. Volume 2,110.

CRUDE OIL

Rotterdam spot prices in $: Arab Light 27·75, Dubai 27·20, Arab Heavy 26·50, North Sea (Forties) 28·35, North Sea (Brent) 28·30, Nigerian Bonny 27·80.

LONDON GRAIN MARKETS

HGCA: Locational ex-farm spot prices—Eastern, feed wheat 113·50 (unch); E. Midlands feed wheat 116·10 (+50); feed barley 151·90 (+20); N.E., feed wheat 116·10 (unch), feed barley 114·20 (—60); Scotland, feed barley 112·00 (+10). U.K. monetary coefficient for the week beginning April 1·0.

(GAFTA)

BARLEY (£ per tonne): May 117, Sept. 98·60, Nov. 102·50, Jan. 104·50. Wheat B (£ per ton): May 119·85, July 123·50, Sept. 98·55, Nov. 101·80, Jan. 105·25.

PIGMEAT (Gafta): April 110·40p, June 107·20p, Aug. 103·0p, Oct. 108·60p, Nov. 109·60p, Feb. 100·50p. T/O 27 lots.

POTATOES (Gafta): April £47·50, May £54·50, Nov. £74·50, Feb. £85, April £99·20. T/O 1,194 lots.

COVENT GARDEN

Fruit per lb: eating apples 10-26, cookers 7-13, bananas 32-35, grapes 48-57, pears 14-34, plums 56, rhubarb 35, kara, etc. 36-42, strawberries 80-100. Each: avocado 30-40, coconuts 23, grapefruits 8-18, pink 40, Kiwi 22-26, lemons 2-6, limes 20, mangoes 20-80, melons 160-200, oranges 5-19, pineapples 60-100, nectarines 42.

Salad per lb: tomatoes 15-40, beef 70, chicory 60, cooker beet 25, uncooked 9, Chinese leaf 35, parsley 300, shallots 50. Each: celery 20-32, cucumbers 12-25, round lettuce 13-20, Iceberg 30-50, endive 80, cos 40-44. Per bunch: raddish 18-20, spring onions 30, mustard and cress 7, watercress 18.

Vegetables per lb: horseradish 130, asparagus 250, root artichoke 20, aubergine 50-60, Kenya beans 80-95, mangetout 150, broad beans 30, cabbage 12, calabrese 40, old carrots 8-12, new 24, courgettes 30-60, spring greens 28-30, leeks 20, mushrooms 50-70, onions 6-10, parsnips, swedes, turnips 6-7, old potatoes 3-5, new 11-12.

LIVESTOCK COMMISSION

Average fatstock prices: GB cattle 94·31p per kg lw (+0·93). GB sheep 231·34p per kg est dcw (+9·38). GB pigs 79·52p per kg lw (+0·86). England and Wales: Cattle Nos. down 1·8 p.c., 94·79p (+0·85); sheep Nos. down 0·5 p.c., 231·14p (+7·00); pig Nos. up 5·9 p.c., 79·82p (+0·86). Scotland: Cattle Nos. down 2·9 p.c., 91·84p (+1·47); sheep Nos. down 21·7 p.c., 225·98p (+21·16).

BIDS AND DEALS

BET-Initial

IN its offer document for Initial, BET confirms its forecast of full-year pre-tax profits of not less than £100m (£85·7m). It also gives an estimate of earnings in the region of 29p (28·9p)—a figure BET chairman Hugh Dundas describes as disappointing. This, he says, is mainly as a result of tax changes in last year's budget especially in Initial and Advance.

Low & Bonar

LOW & Bonar has sold substantially the whole of its heavy transformer and switchgear manufacturing interests worldwide to National Industri A/S of Norway for £2·225m cash. It has also sold its remaining 20 p.c. in London Hydraulic Power Company to Mercury Comunications for £711,000 cash.

Park Place–TCS

PARK PLACE Investments is making an agreed bid worth about £2m. for Trident Computer Services. Terms are one new Park Place Ordinary share for every two Trident.

MONEY & EXCHANGES

THE POUND soared on foreign exchange markets yesterday as the dollar continued to fall out of favour on fears of a slowdown in the American economy and suggestions of trouble in energy lending at some leading United States banks.

High interest rates in London acted as a magnet for funds switching out of the American currency and the pound outperformed all major rivals.

By the close it had gained more than five cents at $1·2320 against $1·1812 overnight. The sterling index jumped from 75·7 to 77·6, one of the bigegst daily advances ever.

Against its key rival, the Deutschmark, the pound rose from Dm3·7948 to Dm3·8568.

Mr Lawson's Budget comments about the importance of maintaining the exchange rate and the obvious reluctance of the British authorities to allow interest rates to fall quickly were key factors in the pound's performance.

Huge liquidity shortages in the British banking system, put at £1·5 billion, made it hard for money costs to fall even further. The Bank of England provided full relief through bill operations.

THE POUND ABROAD

	27-3-85	Prev. close
Austria	27·09–·16	26.61–.71
Belgium*	77.50–.75	76.20–.35
Canada	1.6791–.6835	1.6238–.6294
Denmark	13.7667–.8787	13.5474–.5774
France	11.7807–.8245	11.5748–.6072
Germany W	3.8518–.8618	3.7912–.7984
Holland	4.3604–.3636	4.2781–.2695
Ireland	1.2445–.2466	1.2110–.2125
Italy	2458.31–2470.95	2408.28–2419.55
Japan	310.27–311.15	301.74–302.30
Norway	11.0893–.1420	10.8665–.8921
Portugal	218.66–220.71	211.31–215.12
Spain	214.07–215.04	210.72–211.22
Sweden	11.1286–.1722	10.8724–.8980
Switzerland	3.2651–.2740	3.2110–.2186
Utd. States	1.2310–.2330	1.1805–.1820

* Convertible rate.

Effective Sterling Exchange Rate Index NOON 77·0 (75·8) CLOSE 77·6 (75·7) (Base 1975 = 100)

OTHER MARKET RATES

Argentina	Peso 408.10–408.81
Australia	A$1.7250–1.7260
Brazil	Cruzeiro 5275.00–5305.00
Cyprus	C£ 0.7730–0.7762
Finland	Markka 8.0930–8.1178
Greece	Drachma 162.90–166.51
Hong Kong	HK.$ 9.5850–9.5950
India	Rupee 16.0829
Iraq*	Dinar 0.3670–0.3688
Kuwait	Dinar 0.3625–0.3666
Malaysia	Ringgit 3.1080–3.1180
Saudi Arabia	Ryal 4.3200–4.3600
Singapore	S$ 2.7280–2.7380
South Africa	Rand 2.5190–2.5390
United Arab Emirates	Dirham 4.3970–4.4370

* Subject to limit.

DOLLAR RATES

	27-3-85	Prev. close
France	9·6600	9·8060
Germany	3·1275	3·2090
Switzerland	2·6550	2·7180
Japan	252·20	256·50
Trade weighted ave.	147·30	149·60

EUROCURRENCIES

DOLLARS:
7 days 8⅞–8⅞ — 1 month 8⅞–8⅞
3 months 9⅛–9¼ — 6 months 9⅞–9⅞

MARKS:
7 days 5⅜–5½ — 1 month 5⅞–5⅞
3 months 5⅞–5⅞ — 6 months 6–6⅛

SWISS FRANCS:
7 days 10–10¼ — 1 month 5⅜–5⅝
3 months 5⅞–5⅞ — 6 months 5⅞–5⅞

FORWARD RATES

The forward rates for currencies for one month and three months are as follows:

	One month	Three months
Austria	17–15¼ Gr.pm	43¼–40¼ Grs.pm
Belgium	30–15 c.pm	64–45 c.pm
Canada	0.49–0.41 c.pm	1.05–0.90 c.pm
Denmark	4–2½ Ore pm	9⅛–7½ Ore pm
France	3¼–2¼ c.pm	7½–5¾ c.pm
Germany W	3–2 Pfg pm	7⅛–6⅞ Pfg pm
Holland	3⅛–2⅛ c.pm	7¼–6¼ c.pm
Italy	3 Lr.pm–4 Lr.dis	6–12 Lire dis
Japan	2½–1½ Yen pm	5⅜–4⅝ Yen pm
Norway	2⅛–1⅛ Ore pm	2¾–1⅜ Ore pm
Portugal	145–515 c.dis	495–1495 c.dis
Spain	25–5 c pm	20 c.pm–15 c.dis
Sweden	¾ O.pm–¼ O.dis	¼–1¼ Ore dis
Switzerland	2¼–1¾ c.pm	6⅜–5⅜ c.pm
Utd. States	0.55–0.50 c.pm	1.32–1.17 c.pm

GOLD PRICE

1st Fix $329·90 — 2nd Fix $330·40
Close $331·75 — ($324·00)
Sterling Equiv. £269·27 — (£274·29)

KRUGERRANDS*

£276·00—£325·46 (£279·00—£328·90)

PLATINUM NOBLES

£236·35—£239·05 (£237·75—£240·50)

NEW SOVEREIGNS*

£65·00—£81·19 (£63·00—£79·35)

* Banks selling rate includes VAT and charges. Buying rate excludes VAT. Prices are for single coins.

MONEY MARKET RATES (per cent.)

CLEARING BANKS Base Rate 13½ (March 20)
FINANCE HOUSES Base Rate 13½ pc (Mar. 1)

DISCOUNT MKT.:
Day-to-Day 10–14¼

INTERBANK:
Overnight 14¼–14⅝
7 days 14⅞–14⅞ — 1 month 13¾–13⅞
3 months 13⅞–13⅞ — 6 months 12⅞–12⅞

LOCAL AUTHORITY DEPOSITS:
Two days 14⅛ — Seven days 14⅛
One month 13⅞ — Three months 13⅞

BANK BILLS:
1 month 13⅛–13¼
3 months 12⅞–12⅞ — 6 months 11¾–11⅞

TREAS. BILLS:
1 month 13⅞–13⅞
2 months 12⅞–13⅞ — 3 months 12⅝–12¾

STERLING C.Ds.:
1 month 13¾–13⅞
3 months 13⅞–13⅛ — 1 year 11⅞–12

DOLLAR C.Ds.:
1 month 8.65–8.75
3 months 8.90–9.00 — 1 year 10.20–10.30

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Results for the half-year to 2nd March 1985

- Sales up 33% to £264m
- Pre-tax profit up 33% to £34.7m
- Interim dividend up from 2p to 2.5p
- 88 new trading outlets
- Sales value of British goods up by £55m
- Employment up by 1000

The future

"Another successful half-year has been achieved by contributing to the lifestyle needs of customers through retail chains which are targeted on clearly defined sectors of the clothing market.

The Group's continuing programme of investment, which will this year exceed £75m, and the extension of product ranges are expected further to expand sales, profits and market share."

Ralph Halpern
Chairman

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Preliminary Announcement of Results

(unaudited)

Year to 31st December, 1984

	1984 £000's	1983 Re-stated £000's	*1983 As Reported £000's*
Turnover	88,486	80,577	*78,986*
Profit before Tax (on ordinary activities)	7,044	7,077	*6,829*
Profit after Tax (on ordinary activities)	4,281	4,188	*4,045*
Dividends–Interim	2.2p	2.2p	*2.2p*
–Final proposed	4.5p	4.1p	*4.1p*
Earnings per share	17.1p	16.8p	*16.2p*

"Profitability improved during the year both at home and overseas but the consolidated published results have been affected by the general weakening of the Rand against the Pound. The value of the Rand/Pound relationship varied widely during the year and, on average, was 16% lower than the figure applied in the annual accounts for 1983. The effect of this variant at the accounting date produced a reduction in profit before tax of approximately £640,000.

The profit and loss accounts of overseas subsidiaries are translated at the average exchange rates for the year. This represents a change of accounting policy, as a result of which the 1983 comparative figures have been re-stated."

Peter Smith,
Chairman.

MCG

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The foregoing financial information does not amount to full Accounts within the meaning of Section 11 of the Companies Act 1981. Full Accounts for 1983, with an unqualified audit report have been filed with the Registrar of Companies.

BABCOCK INTERNATIONAL PLC. ANNUAL RESULTS FOR 1984

CONSOLIDATED PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT
for the financial year ended 30th December 1984

	1984 £000	1983 £000
Turnover	1,129,764	1,016,283
Trading Profit	31,487	37,411
Profit on Ordinary Activities before Taxation	31,600	34,082
Profit for the Financial Year (1983 loss)	16,411	(6,959)
Retained Profit for the Year (1983 loss)	6,986	(15,546)
Earnings per ordinary share	16.2p	17.6p

MAJOR POINTS FROM 1984

- Profitability increased in USA
- Impact of miners' strike was severe in UK
- Cost reduction continues
- Orders for 1984 exceeded £1 bn

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Associated Book

ASSOCIATED Book Publishers has had another record year with pre-tax profits up from £8·28m to £8·56m following a 34 p.c. advance in trading profit to £8·35m, on a 25 p.c. rise in sales to £70·5m, and a £145,000 increase in investment and interest income. This has lifted earnings 12·2p to 36p, from which there is a 6·25p final on May 22, making 10p (7·5p) for holders who also get a one-for-one scrip.

Britannic Assurance

BRITANNIC Assurance is increasing the dividend from 21·8p to 25·5p with a 17p final on May 16. Transfers to profit and loss account from the industrial branch amounted to £3·55m, (£2·91m) and from the ordinary branch £1·90m (£1·60m).

General branch loss was £605,000 against £38,000 after transferring £255,000 from the claims equalisation reserve.

Stockholders' investment income, less expenses and tax, £637,000, (£142,000). Surplus for the year £5·47m (£4·60m).

DRC

SPECIALIST packaging, stationery and engineering group D R C reports a 61·5p.c. rise in pre-tax profits for the year ended Dec. 31 to £26m on a turnover of £605·7m (£545·4m). A strong second half was recorded in all business activities.

The final dividend of 4·5p, payable July 1, brings the year's total to 7·5p compared with 6·5p last year. The group is looking for acquisitions in related fields, and recently broke into the Japanese medical market.

Bryant Holdings

BRYANT Holdings, the West Midlands house builder and contractor, has pushed its first half pre-tax profits on from £4·7m to a new peak of £5·61m.

The group made a slow start to 1985 due to the poor weather, but *anticipates creditable full year results.* The interim is 1·1p (1p) on May 16 from same-again earnings of 3·8p.

Carpets International

CARPETS International has swung from losses of £630,000 to profits of £1·42m pre-tax in the *year ended Dec. 29.*

The most encouraging feature was the return to profitability of the United Kingdom carpet operations in the second half. *Priority continues to be given* to the process of full recovery and, in recognition of cash flow requirements, there is again no dividend.

Metal Closures

The general weakening of the rand against the pound hit Metal Closures to the tune of some £640,000 in the year ended Dec. 31. As a result, pre-tax profits for the period are marginally lower at £7·04m against £7·03m, but with earnings of 17·1p (16·8p), the dividend is going up from 6·5p to 6·7p with a 4·5p final on May 20.

BIDS AND DEALS

R. P. Martin

MONEY broker R. P. Martin, which has agreed a £44m bid from a private company called Quadrex, yesterday revealed interim profits of £4·2m pre-tax to Dec. 31 *against £4m last time.*

The first five months went well but poor December trading hit the outcome. Recent foreign exchange upheavals have boosted *business and profitability.*

Times Veneer

CORPORATE Development International (Holdings) is making an agreed £1·41m, or 20p a share, cash bid for "The Times" Veneer Company, whose directors, family interests and trusts *have accepted in respect of* 50·39 p.c. of the capital.

On completion, "The Times" will raise about £365,000 via a four-for-five rights issue at 10p. "The Times" directors, family interests and trusts, in respect of the 14·8 p.c. of the shares retained by them, and Corporate, in respect of the 50·39 p.c. of the shares to be acquired by it, will each take up the rights to which they will be entitled under the issue.

Tootal-Entrad

TOOTAL'S pre-tax profits for the year to end January yesterday emerged at £22·85m against £17·2m *last year and the recent* forecast of "at least £22·5m" made during its defence against Entrad's £125m offer.

at 75p, 5p above the offer. The forecast 1·87p final dividend depends upon the bid failing.

IN BRIEF

City of Aberdeen Land: First half pre-tax profits £619,000, against £150,000 for corresponding period, and £1·76m for 1985 H1, historical imbalance—due to *house completions having been* concentrated in the second half—is likely to be less marked. Trading in second half continues satisfactorily despite rise in interest *rates. Interim dividend up from* equal to 5·38p to 6p on May 2 and group says it should be possible to improve on the 16·5p total already forecast.

Burgess Products: First half trading profits more than doubled to £840,000 and after an interest charge of £239,000 (£198,000) pre-tax out-turn is up from £214,000 to £601,000. In line with plan to *pay 2p dividend total there is* 0·5p interim on May 10.

Pressac: Sales cut by £725,700 to £8·86m in the opening half ended Jan. drove pre-tax profits down from just over £1m to £110,900. Earnings back from 7·86p to 2·52p but interim dividend held at 0·7p, payable May 22.

Gibbs and Dandy: Full year pre-tax profit £408,100 (£240,000). Turnover £17·1m (£14·9m). Eps 5p (same). Dividend 1·375p (1·4p) payable May 17.

Rock: Full *year pre-tax profit* £72,500 (loss £274,200). Turnover £3·85m (£4·2m). Eps 0·44p (loss 1·82p). Extraordinary debits £72,500 (£303,500). Again no dividend. Vanstock targetted for further sales growth and additional gains anticipated from the Rock Merchanting businesses.

Supra Group: Full year pre-tax profit £1·07m (£772,000). *Turnover* £12·8m (£11·7m). Eps 5p (2·92p). Final dividend 1·25p making 2·05p (1·9p). One-for-ten scrip.

Thansis. Full year pre-tax profit £1·55m (£1·1m). Turnover £5·05m (£5·62m). Eps 49·88p (28·02p). Final dividend 8p, payable June 10, making 10p (6p).

R. Cartwright Holdings: Full year pre-tax profit £1·46m (£1·02m). Turnover £15·6m (£12·9m). Eps 15·25p (same). Final dividend 5p, making 6·5p (5·75p).

W. A. Tyzack: First half pre-tax profit £125,400 (£110,500). Turnover £5·13m (£2·95m). Eps 1·81p (1·49p). Interim dividend 0·6p (0·5p), payable May 22.

Ben Bailey Construction: First half pre-tax profit £6,000 (£251,000). Turnover £5·03m (£5·31m). Eps 0·19p (5·20p). Interim dividend 0·25p (0·8p), payable July 4.

Jantar: Full year pre-tax profit £225,000 (loss £56,000). Turnover £755,000 (£475,000). Eps 5·45p (0·15p). Dividend 2·5p (0·5p), payable May 22.

Rotork: Full year pre-tax profit £4·34m (£3·72m). Turnover £29·8m (£25·7m). Eps 12·4p (8·4p). Extraordinary debit £256,000 (£765,000). Final dividend 2·4p, payable May 24, making 4·3p (3·85p). Balance sheet and cash position remain very strong.

Cecil Gee: Full year pre-tax profit £82,000 (£1·03m) after interest charge of £968,000 (£125,000) but including exchange gains of £281,000 (£100,000). Turnover £20·6m (£16·4m). Operating profit £730,000 (£1·1m) after exceptional stock write down £935,000 (nil) but including surplus on sale of property £1·5m (£2·000). Eps 8·9p (8·8p). Dividend 2·8p (2·1p). Trading so far well up to budget.

VG INSTRUMENTS PLC

RESULTS – 1984

£m	1984	1983
Turnover	50.9	38.6
Profit before taxation	10.6	7.3
Profit attributable to shareholders	5.7	3.9
Earnings per share	11.75p	7.90p

1984 was a successful year for the Company and the Directors are pleased to announce a final dividend of 1.20p per share.

Copies of the Annual Report will be available shortly from the Secretary, 29 Brighton Road, Crawley, West Sussex, RH10 8AE.

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* 1984 Pre-tax profit —up 47% to £1.65m
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High / Low		Share	Mid Price	
80½	5	Air Step Indus.	22½	+1
40½	38½	Auditemp	38½	
45	41½	Appleton	41½	−2
37	24	Assoc. Furniture	24	−1
152½	114	Allis Systems	138½	−9
5h	11½	Award Resources	11½*	
7	3¾	Belvoir Pet.	3¾	−¼
17½	12	Berkeley Leisure	13½	−2
65½	25	Bleasdale	62	−2
35½	15	Breverleigh Inv.	25½	
20	12	Breverleigh Wt	12	
159	20	British Telecom	154	+5
97½	70	A. Brown	97½	
33½	14½	Bured Holdings	30½	−3
68	66	Bured Secs. (A)	67½	
29½	12	Carlton Beach	28½	−1
130	90	Credo Pet.	110	+10
350	180	C.S.T.	215	+20*
36	10½	D.A.S.A.	14½*	
58	40	Dolamore	52½	
8¾	¾	Edenspring	¾	
6	4½	First Venture	4½	
33	20	For Eyes	29½	−1
30½	13½	Future Forecasts	13½	−1
47	37½	Glosair Av.	29	
72	15½	Godwin	16½xr	
15½	14½	Godwin New Fully Paid	15½	
64	38½	Hard Rock	60	+2
6	5	Harries, Baird	5	
47½	40	Harvard Secs Grp	40½mb	
25	5	Hemokinetics	5	−½
57	20	Herbert Woods	51½	−1
23½	9½	I-Data	17½	+1
40	7	Intervision	7	
23½	15	Ireland Yard	21½	
5	4	Ireland Yard Wt	5	
42½	27	Leading Leisure	42½	+3
22	9	Leisure Inv.	21½	+1½
309	97½	Microcomm	257½	−25
155	110	Microtech.	127	
76	22	Micromilo	Suspended	
28½	8	N. Atlantic Air	5	
54	18	N.A.E.	20	−1
190	85	New Dimension	100	−10
5½	2	Newmate Trust	2¾	−½
68	41½	Optometrics	41½	−4
115	100	Pepe	100½	−1
81	22½	Pinzgo	20	
18	15	Publishing Hldg	16	−1
32	15	Rigby Elec.	44½	
16	9½	Scoops	9½	−2
61	25	Stone Medical	55	+5
50	30½	Taddale Inv.	31½	
255	100	Tarpole Tech.	200	−10
57½	25	Thew.	57½	
31½	25	Townhill Secs	31½	
40	39	U.E.M.X.	39½	
76	49	V.T.C.	65mb	
50	35	V.T.C. Drld.	40mb	
30	25	Watersides	27	−1
20	14	Westfort Pet.	19	+1

Harvard Warrants for acquisition of:

42	25½	Bleasdale Opts	56½	−1
9	5	Bured Hldg Opts	7½	
16	14	Carlton Beach Op	15	
58	30	Hard Rock Opts	54	+½
12	4	L. Leisure Opts	16	+4
34	27	Rigby Opts	30	

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Market Makers 01-928 2237

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Britannic Assurance

PUBLIC LIMITED COMPANY

RESULTS FOR 1984

	1984 £000	1983 £000
Life Branches		
Total Premium Income	122,991	112,910
Total Surplus for Policyholders	66,363	55,173
General Branch		
Total Premium Income	16,321	14,785
Underwriting (Loss)	(3,099)	(1,952)
Investment Income	1,824	1,812
Profit (Loss) after Tax	(838)	(58)
Transfer from Claims Equalisation Reserve	235	—
Profit and Loss Account		
Transfer from life branches	5,435	4,516
Transfer (to) from general branch	(603)	(58)
Total Surplus for the year, including other net income	5,469	4,600
Net Dividend for the year for stockholders	25.5p	21.8p

BONUS DECLARATION FOR POLICYHOLDERS

Ordinary Branch Reversionary Bonuses

Ordinary Policies: A scale from **£5.50% to £7.50%** (1983 - £5.50%) of sum assured

Annuities: A scale from **£6.65% to £8.65%** (1983 - £6.65%) of annuity

PLUS

increased scale of terminal bonuses

Industrial Branch Reversionary Bonuses

A scale from **£4.40% to £6.00%** (1983 - £4.30%) of sum assured

PLUS

special reversionary bonus and increased scale of terminal bonuses

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SUMMARY OF GROUP RESULTS FOR 1984



Sir Denis Mountain, Bt., Chairman.

The results for 1984 have been prepared on a new basis. We have, for the first time, included investments at market value in the shareholder's balance sheet and taken a conservative amount in respect of asset appreciation to the credit of the profit and loss account.

On the new basis the results were as follows:–

	1984 £m		1983 £m	
PREMIUM INCOME				
Fire, accident and motor	620.5		537.4	
Marine, aviation and transport	44.1	664.6	34.3	571.7
Long term – annual premiums	237.2		215.9	
– single premiums	174.8	412.0	98.4	314.3
		1,076.6		886.0
PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT				
Underwriting loss *		(126.4)		(70.3)
Shareholder's long term profits **		22.2		20.5
Investment return ***		257.3		212.8
Surplus before taxation		153.1		163.0
Taxation	(33.8)		(28.0)	
Minority interests	(7.4)	(41.2)	(9.1)	(37.1)
		111.9		125.9
Extraordinary items	(3.6)		1.2	
Transfer to capital reserves	(49.1)	(52.7)	(58.0)	(56.8)
Balance available for appropriation		59.2		69.1
Dividends		(40.0)		(27.7)
Balance added to revenue reserves		19.2		41.4

* Includes £10m (1983: £10m) for additional provisions in respect of industrial disease claims on contracts written mainly before 1965.

** After grossing up for corporation tax and income tax; the corresponding net figure is £13.4m (1983: £11.6m).

*** The amount shown as investment return is made up as follows:–

	1984 £m		1983 £m	
Investment income		127.4		109.9
Investment expenses		(3.3)		(3.0)
Profits of Grovewood Securities		28.2		23.3
Share of associated companies' profits		0.2		0.2
		152.5		130.4
Investment appreciation	112.1		142.7	
Transfer of deferred investment gains	(7.3)	104.8	(60.3)	82.4
Total investment return		257.3		212.8

Investment appreciation is the appreciation in the shareholder's funds of stock exchange investments, property and mortgages in the year. It includes profits and losses on investments sold and the movement in market value of investments held throughout the year and is stated after off-setting exchange differences on currency liabilities and matching currency investments. Credit is taken in the profit and loss account for one fifth of this appreciation and of the appreciation in the previous four years. Balances not credited to profit and loss account are carried forward as deferred investment gains.

The profits for 1984 would have been £58.3m (1983: £90.3m) if presented using the accounting policies adopted during 1983.

The industry-wide losses now emerging are the inevitable result of the rate cutting war that has taken place over recent years which has produced premiums which were totally inadequate to compensate the deterioration in claims experience in all classes of business. These losses have been exacerbated by the weather catastrophes suffered in many areas of our operations.

At the end of 1984 the free reserves of the group, excluding the value of the shareholder's equity in the life funds, amounted to 112 per cent of general business premium income. This compares with 116 per cent at the end of 1983 and provides a substantial margin of free reserves over and above the provision for liabilities.

INVESTMENT INCOME. The total group investment income, (excluding capital appreciation), on shareholder's funds amounted to £127.4m (1983: £109.9m), an increase of 15.9 per cent. These figures do not include the earnings of Grovewood Securities.

Currency appreciation during 1984, particularly the strengthening of the US dollar, accounted for approximately £2.2m of the investment income. Adjusting for this factor the underlying rate of growth would be 13.9 per cent, which we regard as an exceptionally satisfactory performance achieved in difficult circumstances.

GENERAL BUSINESS. General business premium income increased by 16 per cent to £664.6m. Although strong competition for insurance business worldwide continues, market capacity has been reduced as a result of the very poor underwriting results experienced in recent years.

In accordance with our usual practice the table set out below analyses the income and underwriting results for each major territory including an estimate of the investment income applicable to the insurance business in each territory.

The figures shown include in the 1984 result an additional amount in respect of unexpired risks to cover the inadequacy of premiums written in 1984 which relate to exposure in 1985 and in particular the claims *resulting from the severe weather in the early part of the year.*

GENERAL BUSINESS INSURANCE RESULT

	Premium Income £m	Underwriting Result £m	Attributable Investment Income £m	1984 Total £m	1983 Total £m
United Kingdom and the Republic of Ireland *	469.8	(87.9)	69.4	(18.5)	16.9
Australia	51.1	(1.6)	6.2	4.6	2.1
Belgium	29.4	(7.0)	5.2	(1.8)	(2.3)
South Africa	60.1	–	4.0	4.0	6.2
USA	29.6	(12.6)	1.9	(10.7)	(5.9)
Other territories	24.6	(5.3)	2.8	(2.5)	(1.2)
Change in provision for unexpired risks – overseas business.	–	(2.0)	–	(2.0)	1.0
	664.6	(116.4)	89.5	(26.9)	16.8

* including reinsurance and worldwide marine and aviation.

In the United Kingdom there was an increase of 15 per cent in premium income, the underwriting loss was £70.3m (1983: £32.3m). Commercial fire and liability business made an underwriting loss of £5.8m and £18.7m (1983: £5.8m, £7.3m) respectively, the latter account suffering from an unusually high number of large public liability claims and an increasing number of claims relating to industrial deafness. The All-In account showed a loss of £18.8m (1983: £12.5m) the results being severely affected by the extreme winter weather in the early months of 1984 and 1985 and by the continuing problem of subsidence. The motor account made a loss of £18.4m (1983: £1.6m) reflecting increased claims frequency. The loss on the accident account was £4.2m (1983: £2.4m) again reflecting the high cost of running this business and the loss on travel business of £3.9m (1983: £1.8m) arose from deteriorating claims experience.

The results for London market business showed an overall loss of £11.2m (1983: £6.6m) and this result arises mainly from deteriorating trends in claims relating to earlier years. Industrial disease claims are still causing concern and claims provisions in respect of contracts written mainly before 1965 have been further strengthened by £10m.

The worldwide marine and aviation account resulted in a transfer from profit and loss account of £3.0m (1983: £2.5m) which mainly arose from the particularly poor results experienced by our subsidiaries in the United States and France.

The overseas results were dominated by the underwriting loss of £12.6m in the United States which was exacerbated by the strength of the dollar. The results in Australia again show an improvement, but there was a deterioration in South Africa. Premium income increased by 13 per cent in both sterling and underlying currency terms.

LIFE ASSURANCE BUSINESS. Worldwide premium income increased by 31 per cent to £412m, and the shareholder's life profits were £22.2m (1983: £20.5m), an increase of 8.3 per cent. The reduction in the rate of corporation tax has had the effect of reducing the 'grossed up' value of life profits and had it not been for this change the increase would have been 15 per cent.

In the United Kingdom total new annual premiums showed a reduction in 1984 which is accounted for by the non-recurring benefit from the MIRAS switching which took place in 1983 and the abolition of life assurance premium relief during 1984. New business showed a healthy increase over 1982, the last comparable year, despite the loss of LAPR. Mortgage endowment business and individual pension business were the most buoyant sectors.

New single premiums showed an increase of 46 per cent, the main contributor to this growth being immediate annuities.

Overseas business developed strongly with increases in new business in our most significant territories, Australia, Ireland and France, of 33 per cent and 147 per cent for annual and single premium business respectively.

GROVEWOOD SECURITIES. 1984 was the seventeenth successive year of increased profits for Grovewood Securities, the earnings being £28.2m, an improvement of 21 per cent over 1983. This represents another remarkable achievement for this group under the chairmanship of Mr John Danny.

The above is a summary of the results for the year. The full report and accounts which contains an unqualified auditors' report will be published on 22nd April 1985 and delivered to the Registrar of Companies within the prescribed period.

Eagle Star Holdings PLC

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UNIT TRUST PRICES

AUTHORISED TRUSTS

ABBEY UNIT TRUST MANAGERS
1-3 St Paul's Churchyard, London EC4 01-236 1333

1984-5 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
149·9	97·5	Amer. Grth	130·2	138·5
112·9	97·3	General	104·0	111·2
76·9	58·6	High Inc. Eq.	71·7	76·3
206·3	118·9	Japan	168·1	179·8
67·2	47·0	U.S. Em. Co.	55·7	59·6
126·6	112·5	Gilt & Fix. Int.	108·8	*114·9
175·0	147·4	W'idwide Bd	147·5	*156·9

AITKEN HUME FUNDS (MNGMT) LTD.
30 City Road, London EC1Y 2AY 01-628 4626

1984-5 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
154·8	117·7	Secure Income Fund	144·0	154·1
80·7	52·5	Japanese Tech Fund	64·7	69·2
171·4	110·3	American Tech Fund	127·5	136·4
33·1	25·3	Small Co's Fd	30·9	*33·0
160·0	123·2	Pacific Fund	129·0	138·0
488·2	390·3	Exempt Fund	456·5	488·2
182·4	146·4	Special Sits. Fd	170·0	181·9
52·0	35·3	En'gy & Res. Fd	37·8	40·4
69·6	49·5	Am. Majors Fd	57·0	61·0
50·0	50·0	Intnl. Inc. Fd.	—	50·0

ALLIED UNIT TRUSTS LIMITED
Allied Hambro House, Rayleigh Road, Hutton, Brentwood, Essex 0277 211459 & 229123

1984-5 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
174·1	153·0	First Trust	162·5	*172·2
111·6	104·1	Growth & Inc'e Tst.	103·4	*108·5
206·7	192·9	Capital Trust	191·5	203·1
277·9	278·0	Balanced Trust	277·9	294·8
447·6	415·5	Accumulator Tst	418·6	443·7
34·7	30·0	American Inc. Tst.	28·4	30·1
193·5	108·5	High Income Tst.	179·5	*190·3
105·9	97·3	Equity Income Tst	99·3	105·3
125·2	117·1	High Yield Tst	117·8	124·9
29·8	26·3	Governm't Secs. Tst	28·4	29·6
76·1	67·4	International Tst	62·0	65·7
77·3	69·8	Japan Tst	62·5	67·5
141·9	129·6	Pacific Tst	120·0	127·2
75·0	56·7	Am'n Spec. Sits. Tst	57·5	*60·9
218·8	178·5	Secs. of America Tst	170·7	184·4
175·4	156·8	Asset Value Tst	163·2	173·0
32·6	31·2	Gilt Growth Tst	31·5	32·8
105·2	95·8	Smaller Co's Tst	97·4	103·2
136·7	130·3	Sec. Smaller Co's Tst	126·5	*136·2
60·6	54·1	Recovery Tst	56·7	60·1
107·9	85·3	Metal Mins. & Com. T.	92·4	97·9
166·4	119·9	Overseas Earnings T	153·6	162·8
104·6	74·8	Technology Tst	84·0	89·0

ANDERSON UNIT TRUST MANAGERS LTD.

1984-5 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
131·5	106·9	AndersonGrthUnitT	123·1	131·8
28·2	24·1	AndersonInc.UnitT.	26·6	28·3

ARBUTHNOT SECURITIES LIMITED
131 Finsbury Pavement, London EC2A 1AY. 01-628 9876 Dealing Dept., 01-628 0901/2/3/4

1984-5 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
55·6	41·8	Capital Growth	49·2	52·6
108·1	84·0	Commodity	82·5	88·2
176·8	139·0	Commodity Accum.	137·0	146·5
65·4	46·5	Com 10% Withdrawal	45·5	48·6
119·6	78·1	East & Intnational	98·2	*105·0
69·5	45·9	East & Int 6% Wdrwl	55·0	*58·8
48·4	34·6	Finance & Property	45·3	48·4
73·7	54·7	Foreign Grth	59·7	63·8
49·2	43·5	Gilt & Fixed	43·1	45·3
72·5	61·4	Gilt & Fixed Accum.	66·0	69·4
60·1	47·8	High Income	55·7	59·5
135·0	100·7	High Income Accum	123·1	131·6
76·6	57·8	High Inc. 8½% Withd.	70·1	74·9
62·8	51·2	High Yield	58·3	*62·3
158·1	122·1	High Yield Accum.	141·9	*151·7
93·9	69·9	North American	73·1	78·1
27·1	24·5	Preference	25·4	27·1
78·1	67·3	Preference Accum	73·1	78·1
100·0	72·8	Smaller Companies	93·3	99·7
105·9	76·2	Smaller Co's Accum.	98·8	105·6
11·6	8·8	World Penny Share	9·3	9·9
Portfolio Trust				
62·9	47·3	U.K.	60·3	62·4
65·4	44·5	Japan	56·3	58·3
80·2	50·0	U.S.	67·3	69·7
60·3	47·7	Europe	56·1	58·1

ARCHWAY UNIT TRUST MNGRS. LTD.

1984-5 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
229·4	171·3	Fund	215·6	229·4
35·3	29·1	Growth Fund	32·3	34·4
56·0	50·0	High Yield Eq. Fd	52·5	*55·9

ATLANTA UNIT TST. MNGRS. LTD.
46 Moorgate, London EC2R 6EL 01-638 1711

1984-5 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
73·0	50·0	AtlantaAmSpecFnd	58·2	61·9
82·1	63·8	AtlantaCanadianTst	64·1	68·9
59·3	45·6	AtlantaJap.FarEast	44·8	47·6

BAILLIE GIFFORD & CO. LTD.
3 Glenfinlas Street, Edinburgh 031-225 2581

1984-5 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
107·0	95·0	Japan	90·2	96·0
148·1	97·5	America	122·2	130·1
205·2	100·0	Technology	175·1	186·3
126·5	97·0	Energy	104·8	111·6
159·4	100·0	Income Grth	149·5	159·1

BARCLAYS UNICORN LIMITED
252 Romford Road, London E7 9JB 01-534 5544

1984-5 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
89·7	56·7	Unic. Amer	75·2	79·9
183·6	136·3	Unic. Aust (Acc)	140·9	149·8
135·5	101·0	Unic. Austr. Inc	102·6	109·1
180·3	136·6	Unic Cap	165·6	176·2
336·4	243·8	Unic Exempt	312·1	332·0
58·6	46·2	Unic Extra Inc	54·9	58·3
197·9	139·4	Unic. Fin	184·2	195·9
202·9	155·1	Unic. 500	189·8	*201·9
111·1	79·4	Unic. Gen	102·4	*108·9
53·0	50·1	Unic. Gilt & Fix. Int	50·1	53·0
117·1	78·3	Unic. Grtr. Pac. Acc	98·6	104·8
116·2	78·0	Unic. Grtr. Pac. Inc	97·7	*103·9
151·1	105·8	Unic Grth. Acc.	138·6	147·4
254·3	183·7	Unic. Inc	235·1	250·1
112·2	82·0	Unic. Special Sits.	105·4	112·1
145·8	114·1	Unic. Rec.	136·3	144·9
99·2	43·3	Unic. Trust	92·5	97·8
130·0	87·5	Unic. Worldwide	108·4	115·3
257·0	186·4	Trust Inv. Fd. (Acc.)	237·8	252·9
173·6	128·4	Trust Inv. Fd. (Inc.)	160·6	170·8

BARING BROTHERS & CO. LIMITED
8 Bishopsgate, London EC2N 4AE 01-283 8833

1984-5 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
225·7	210·1	Stratt. Sm. Co's Ex Fd	216·7	225·7
503·8	466·2	Stratton Trust	484·6	503·8
747·6	685·2	Stratton Tst Accum	718·9	747·6
120·5	106·9	Stratton Euro. Fd	111·2	118·2

BARRINGTON MGMT. CO., LTD
59 Gresham Street, London EC2P 2DS 01-606 4433

1984-5 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
126·5	89·7	Gen Fd Inc	117·3	124·3
167·5	117·5	Gen Fd Acc	155·4	164·8
69·1	48·5	High Yield Fd Inc	64·9	69·1
127·7	84·4	High Yield Fd Acc	120·0	127·7
300·0	213·3	Smaller Co's Fd Inc	280·7	298·7
346·4	241·3	Smaller Co's Fd Acc	324·2	344·8
108·9	72·0	Pacific Fd Inc	94·2	99·2
121·7	80·2	Pacific Fd Acc	105·3	110·7
268·8	189·6	Nrth Am Fd Inc	227·2	239·0
305·5	213·7	Nth Am Fd Acc	258·3	271·6
265·5	191·5	European Fd Inc	281·6	291·6
321·4	229·4	European Fd Acc	292·6	304·5
118·4	104·8	Gilt Yield Fd Inc	107·4	*109·8
159·6	141·3	Gilt Yield Fd Acc	154·8	159·8
153·6	94·4	Japan Fd Inc	136·0	144·0
153·6	94·4	Japan Fd Acc	136·0	144·0

BISHOPSGATE PROGRESSIVE MANAGEMENT CO.
65 Holborn Viaduct, London EC1A 2DR 01-248 4000

1984-5 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
785·3	511·7	Bishopst Prog Mar.19	725·3	771·4
1050·8	683·6	Acc Units Mar 19	977·0	1039·1
895·7	638·8	Bishop Intl Mar 26	829·8	879·1
1079·4	764·0	Accum Mar 26	999·9	1059·3
183·7	143·1	Beckman Mar 27	169·9	176·1
108·6	79·0	Can & For Mar 14	97·1	103·4
108·6	95·3	Accum Mar 14	100·3	106·7

BRIDGE FUND MNGRS (A) (C)
Regis House, King William St. E.C.4 01-623 4951

1984-5 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
86·3	50·0	America Gen. Inc.	68·7	77·3
85·3	50·1	America Gen. Acc	73·2	82·3
114·5	84·0	Income Fund	104·7	114·5
116·2	86·4	Capital Inc	102·0	109·7
147·9	109·4	Capital Acc	129·9	139·7
261·0	200·0	Exempt	240·0	258·0
42·2	34·3	Intnl. Recovery Inc	36·7	39·5
55·2	44·8	Intnl. Recovery Acc	48·0	51·7

BRITANNIA GROUP OF UNIT TRUSTS LIMITED.
Salisbury House, 29 Finsbury Circus, London EC2. 01-588 2777 Dealing 01-638 0478/0479

1984-5 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
102·8	65·2	American Growth	85·1	*88·5
61·7	50·0	American Income	52·0	*55·5
28·1	19·6	American Smaller Co's	23·2	24·7
89·1	61·7	American Specialsits	69·8	71·5
68·4	61·5	Australian Growth	69·9	*71·6
162·2	123·8	Commodity Shares	143·6	153·2
10·1	9·8	European Sm. Co's	9·2	9·8
62·0	42·0	Exempt	58·4	61·2
69·6	52·2	Exempt Mkt Leaders	64·3	67·3
53·8	45·4	Extra Income	50·3	53·6
47·3	33·3	Far East	41·3	44·1
39·1	29·5	Financial Securities	36·4	38·8
25·8	25·6	Gilt	25·6	26·9
34·3	21·2	Gold & General	23·2	25·0
53·3	49·0	Growth Gilt	50·9	*51·7
21·9	15·5	Hong Kong Perf	22·4	23·9
165·2	122·8	Income & Growth	152·3	162·4
32·3	20·0	Intnl. Growth	28·4	33·3
14·1	9·5	Intnl. Leisure Mkt	12·4	13·2
46·2	31·1	Japan Performance	38·2	40·7
13·5	10·7	Japan Smaller Co's	10·7	11·4
155·5	117·0	National High Inc	142·5	*152·6
19·9	17·8	Preference Shares	17·2	*18·5
43·1	32·9	Property Shares	40·4	*43·1
85·9	60·2	Recovery	78·4	83·6
119·9	91·0	Smaller Companies	112·1	*119·6
81·7	61·9	Special Mkt. Sits	75·6	80·6
31·6	28·0	U.K. Growth	32·3	34·3
85·8	65·2	Universal Energy	64·7	69·0
54·6	40·7	World Technology	44·3	47·3

BROWN SHIPLEY & CO.
9-17 Perrymount Rd. Haywards Heath 0444 458144

1984-5 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
53·0	42·5	Brown Shipley Fund	48·7	52·3
85·6	66·7	Accum	78·6	84·5
102·8	76·3	Financial	95·9	*102·6
179·1	135·9	Growth Acc	166·1	178·7
117·6	88·0	Growth Inc	109·2	117·4
52·7	37·9	High Inc	47·6	51·2
59·5	44·0	Income Fund	55·0	59·1
62·1	43·4	North American	51·4	55·3
59·0	43·9	Orient Fund	48·8	52·5
28·7	22·7	Recovery	26·3	28·3
174·5	157·7	Technology Fund	139·7	150·2

BUCKMASTER MANAGEMENT COMPANY LTD.
The Stock Exchange, EC2P 2JT 01-588 2868

1984-5 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
130·0	96·3	Buckmaster Intnl Fd	109·7	114·7
80·5	66·4	Buckmaster Inc. Fd	74·3	77·9
174·7	129·9	Buckmaster Grn. Fd	166·8	174·7
1100·0	658·2	BuckmasterSm. C Fd	930·0	991·6

CANADA LIFE

1984-5 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
98·7	72·3	Can. Life Gen. Dist.	90·2	94·9
147·5	109·4	Can. Life Gen. Acc	137·6	144·8
62·4	52·3	Can. Life Inc. Dist	61·5	64·7
121·6	116·3	Can. Life Inc. Acc	117·5	123·1

CANNON FUND MANAGERS LIMITED
1, Olympic Way, Wembley, Middx, HA9 0NB. 01-902 8876

1984-5 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
255·9	196·6	Income	245·9	261·6
137·6	106·7	Far East	125·8	133·8
136·2	91·0	North American	121·4	129·1
250·9	171·6	Growth	215·9	229·6

CENTRAL BOARD OF FINANCE OF THE CHURCH OF ENGLAND
77 London Wall, London EC2N 1DB 01-588-1815

1984-5 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
336·9	269·6	Investment	—	336·90
134·0	125·6	Fixed Int	—	129·70

CHARITIES OFFICIAL INVESTMENT FUND
77 London Wall, London EC2N 1DB 01-588-1815

1984-5 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
302·1	235·7	Income	—	302·1
849·5	634·9	Accumulation	—	849·5

CHIEFTAIN TRUST MANAGERS
11 New Street, London EC2M 4TP 01-283 1963

1984-5 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
21·8	20·3	Gilt & Fix. In.	19·0	*20·4
47·0	36·3	High Income	40·1	*43·0
42·4	32·1	Inc. & Grth	39·1	41·8
38·3	27·2	Special	35·5	*37·8
71·4	55·2	International	61·1	65·5
38·5	29·5	Global	31·4	*33·7
54·9	39·8	American	45·8	49·1
27·4	19·9	Australian	19·1	20·5
79·7	74·4	Japan	64·7	69·4

CLERICAL MEDICAL UNIT TST MANAGERS LTD.
Narrow Plain, Bristol. BS2 0JH (0272) 277719

1984-5 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
30·5	25·0	General Equity	28·3	30·2
31·3	25·0	Equity High Inc	29·2	*31·1
25·9	24·3	Gilt & Fixd Int Gwth	24·2	25·8
26·2	24·4	Indexed Secs	23·7	25·3

CONFEDERATION FUND MNGMT

1984-5 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
174·4	125·6	Growth Fund	165·3	174·0

COUNTY BANK UNIT SERVICES LTD

1984-5 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
236·2	179·2	Capital Trust	218·0	231·9
64·0	49·3	Energy	49·7	*51·5
133·2	104·7	Extra Income	123·6	131·4
105·4	74·6	Financial Trust	98·7	105·0
52·7	49·5	Gilt Strategy	51·5	52·5
238·7	177·4	Growth Invest. Tst	219·2	233·1
109·0	80·1	Income Trust	102·5	*109·0
94·1	68·3	Japanese & Pac. Gwth	74·3	*79·0
104·2	72·2	North Am. Grth Trst	85·6	91·0
151·3	119·7	Portfolio Invest. Fd	141·7	149·3
105·5	75·8	Recovery Trust	95·7	101·8
154·7	111·5	Smaller Companies	145·5	*154·7

CROWN FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT LTD.
Crown House, Woking. GU21 1XW. (04862) 5033

1984-5 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
189·1	143·8	Crown High Inc. Tst	169·9	180·6
179·8	131·7	Crown Growth Trust	163·8	175·2
127·3	87·9	Crown AmericanTst	110·0	117·6

CS FUND MANAGERS LTD
125, High Holborn, London WC1 6PY 01-242 1148

1984-5 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
57·3	49·0	CS Japan Fd	46·0	49·0

EFM UNIT TST MNGMT LTD
4 Melville Cres., Edinburgh EH3 7JB 031-226 3492 (Dealers)

1984-5 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
115·1	81·5	Gwth & Inc Fd	104·8	112·1
197·2	134·8	Int Fd	163·5	174·9
127·7	90·7	Tokyo Fd	103·6	110·8
70·4	60·7	American Fd	65·8	70·4
70·3	46·5	Capital Fd	65·9	70·5
97·2	67·9	High Dist. Fd	84·9	90·8
29·9	22·7	Res Fd	25·1	*26·8
27·0	24·5	Smaller Jap. Comps	22·6	24·2

EQUITABLE UNITS ADMIN LIMITED
35 Fountain Street, Manchester M2 2AF 061-236 5685

1984-5 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
305·1	225·8	Equitable Pelican	284·5	307·7
59·3	50·0	Far Eastern	50·7	54·0
50·8	48·5	Gilt & Fixed Int	47·7	50·8
57·9	50·0	High Income	54·3	57·8
63·3	50·0	North American	49·8	53·0
58·3	50·0	Special Sit	54·3	57·8
58·9	50·0	Trust of Inv. Tst	53·2	56·6

EQUITY & LAW UNIT TST MNGRS LTD
Amersham Road, High Wycombe 0494 33377

1984-5 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
122·1	93·6	UK Growth Tst. Acc.	113·8	121·0
111·0	86·4	UK Growth Tst. Inc.	103·4	110·0
175·9	112·4	Higher Inc.Tst.Acc	164·7	175·2
150·9	104·5	Higher Inc.Tst.Inc	141·3	150·3
88·6	77·4	Gilts Fxd Int Tst Acc	84·2	*88·6
86·4	71·4	Gilt Fxd Int Tst Inc	74·0	*77·8
156·8	93·9	North Am Tst Acc	123·7	131·5
111·4	78·0	Far East Tst Acc	94·4	100·4
93·5	68·3	Europe Tst Acc	83·1	*88·6
205·3	152·8	General Tst	182·7	*194·3

FIDELITY INTERNATIONAL MANAGEMENT LTD
River Walk, Tonbridge, Kent TN9 1DY 0732 362222

1984-5 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
106·2	69·3	American Trust	83·2	89·9
36·2	25·0	Amen Eqty Income Tst	30·8	33·2
63·2	42·2	Amrlen Spec Sit Tst	48·5	52·5
103·2	51·6	Japan Trust	87·9	95·6
30·8	21·7	Japan Specl Sits Tst	25·5	27·2
59·5	41·4	Max. Income Eqty Tst	56·3	*59·2
107·0	71·6	Specl Situations Tst	97·6	105·9
31·7	25·0	South East Asia Trust	26·6	28·4
31·5	28·2	Gilt & Fixd Int Trst	28·6	29·7
75·0	49·4	Growth & Income Tst	70·1	74·6
95·9	64·0	Managed Intntl Tst	81·0	*87·2

FOREIGN & COLONIAL UNIT MNGT LTD
1 Laurence Pountney Hill, EC4 0BA 01-623 4680

1984-5 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
68·5	47·8	F&C American Fd	64·5	69·0
105·4	76·6	F&C Capital Fd	90·0	*96·3
59·7	40·8	F&C Far East Fd	49·6	53·1
55·8	50·0	F&C Fixed Int Fd	53·8	55·6
65·6	51·0	F&C Income Fd	60·6	*64·8
64·1	49·6	F&C Nat Res Fd	56·3	60·3
66·1	49·9	F&C Overseas Inc Fd	57·1	61·1

FRAMLINGTON UNIT MNGT LTD
3 London Wall Buildings, EC2M 5NQ 01-628 5181

1984-5 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
224·4	156·4	American&Gen. Fd	187·6	199·4
226·8	160·6	American&Gen. Fd Acc	189·4	201·4
215·2	151·4	American Turnaround Fd	178·2	189·2
220·0	154·8	American Turnarnd Acc	183·2	194·8
161·0	107·4	Capital Tst	151·4	*161·0
189·2	122·6	Capital Tst. Acc	178·0	189·2
81·0	56·2	Conv. & Gilt Tst Inc	75·8	80·6
101·0	79·6	Conv. & Gilt Tst Acc	94·6	100·6
122·8	85·2	Extra Inc. Tst	113·4	120·6
120·5	85·3	Extra Inc. Acc	115·4	122·8
92·4	67·0	Income Tst	86·2	91·6
93·4	68·0	Income Tst Acc	86·2	91·6
165·0	125·6	Intl. Growth Fd	144·2	153·2
180·8	137·4	Intl. Growth Fd Acc	157·8	167·8
67·8	44·4	Japan & Gen. Fd	57·6	61·2
68·2	44·4	Japan & Gen. Acc	57·8	61·4
60·8	50·0	Monthly Inc. Fd	57·2	*60·8
110·0	77·0	Recovery Tst	98·6	105·0
116·6	80·0	Recovery Tst. Acc	104·8	111·4

FRIENDS PROVIDENT UNIT TRUST MANAGERS
Pixham End, Dorking, Surrey 0306 885055

1984-5 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
112·8	97·7	Fixed Int Dist	101·1	108·1
116·3	101·4	Fixed Int Acc	107·3	114·7
171·1	126·3	Equity Units Dist	159·5	166·7
275·7	200·9	Equity Units Acc	257·0	271·9
155·2	95·5	Stewardship Dist	125·0	132·2
134·4	95·5	Stewardship Acc	126·1	133·4

FS INVESTMENT MANAGERS LTD.
190, West George St, Glasgow, G2 2PA 041-332 6462

1984-5 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
229·4	160·6	Balanced Growth Fd	215·4	229·4

G & A TRUST

1984-5 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
95·4	70·5	G & A	89·9	95·3

G.T. UNIT MANAGERS
8th Floor, 8 Devonshire Sq., London EC2M 4YJ 01-283 2575. Dealing: 01-626 9431

1984-5 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
157·4	115·0	G.T. European Fund	136·1	145·6
95·7	65·1	G.T. FarEast&GenFd	78·3	83·8
67·9	52·0	G.T. Income Fund	62·8	67·2
125·6	84·0	G.T. Internatnl. Fd	106·3	113·7
173·3	112·6	G.T. Japan & Gen. Fd	141·6	151·6
102·7	97·9	G.T. Liquid Reserve	99·3	101·0
153·5	110·5	G.T. Pension Exempt	139·0	145·6
95·7	62·1	G.T. Tech & Gwth Fd	70·8	75·8
76·1	51·0	G.T. UK Capital Inc.	71·0	76·0
100·2	67·3	G.T. UK Capital Acc.	99·2	106·1
59·7	42·4	G.T. U.S. & Gen. Fd	48·1	51·5

GARTMORE FUND MANAGERS
2-4 St Mary Axe, London EC3A 8BP 01-623 1212. Dealings: 01-623 5766

1984-5 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
96·7	66·5	American Trust	79·5	84·5
24·7	17·6	Australian Trust	19·5	20·7
46·9	34·4	British Trust (Acc)	43·7	46·5
42·1	31·3	British Trust (Dist)	39·1	41·7
76·3	61·6	Commod. Share Tst	68·0	72·4
29·8	25·9	European Trust	26·5	28·2
39·2	29·3	Extra Income Trust	36·8	39·2
94·6	54·0	Far Eastern Trust	81·5	86·5
27·2	24·8	Fixed Interest Trust	24·5	26·1
28·8	25·1	Gilt Trust	24·9	26·0
125·3	98·2	Global Fund (Acc.)	109·5	116·3
120·4	85·3	Global Fund (Dist.)	104·9	111·7
25·0	16·5	Gold Share Trust	17·2	18·4
109·2	84·1	High Income Trust	101·7	108·2
32·5	17·3	Hong Kong Trust	27·1	28·9
51·7	45·5	Income Fund	48·4	51·5
81·8	58·5	Japan Trust	71·5	75·8
41·5	33·1	Oil & Energy Trust	37·6	40·0
76·3	54·3	Special Sits Trust	71·7	76·3
48·0	38·2	UK Small Co Rec Tst	44·5	47·3

JOHN GOVETT UNIT MANAGEMENT LIMITED
Winchester House, 77 London Wall London EC2N 1DH. 01-588 5620

1984-5 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
72·8	49·9	Intnl Grth Fd	61·5	65·7
70·4	44·3	Amer Grh Fd	51·1	57·8
79·1	50·0	Amer Inc Fd	59·0	63·0
113·2	28·7	Euro Grth Fd	100·1	107·2
58·3	46·5	Gold & Min Fd	45·7	48·9
107·7	62·7	Japan Grh Fd	89·4	95·6
72·5	48·3	Pacific Inc Fd	61·0	65·2
70·6	50·0	U.K. Spec Ops Fd	65·1	70·6

GRANVILLE UNIT TRUST MANAGEMENT LIMITED
8, Lovat Lane, EC3 8DT. 01-621 1212

1984-5 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
52·0	48·6	Granville Capital	48·8	51·7

GRIEVESON MANAGEMENT BARRINGTON FUNDS.
See Barrington Management Co Ltd.

GROFUND MANAGERS LIMITED
Founders Hall, 8/9 Austin Friars, London EC2N 2AE. 01-588 5317

1984-5 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
89·2	50·0	American Tst	73·7	77·6
72·9	53·3	Equity Tst	68·1	72·7
63·2	50·0	European Tst	58·1	61·1
55·9	50·8	Gilt Tst	52·3	55·9
86·1	50·0	Japan Tst	75·3	79·3

GUARDIAN ROYAL EXCHANGE UNIT MANAGERS LIMITED
Royal Exchange, London EC3V 3LS 01-638 2020

1984-5 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
252·4	192·1	Guardhill Tst	237·4	*246·0
122·6	111·3	Gilt & Fixed Int. Tst	111·6	*115·0
165·4	115·1	Growth Equity Tst	155·0	164·9
149·9	92·9	North American Tst	122·3	130·0
160·2	108·3	Pacific Tst	135·5	144·2
172·5	125·3	Smaller Co's Tst	161·3	171·6
164·9	118·8	Property Share Tst	152·6	162·2
129·8	96·0	European Tst	115·7	123·1

HENDERSON UNIT TRUST MANAGEMENT LTD
Premier U.T. Admin. 5 Rayleigh Rd., Hutton, Brentwood, Essex. 0277 717238

1984-5 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
83·6	58·5	Australian	63·4	67·2
51·1	36·3	Capital Growth	47·6	*50·6
57·6	40·6	Capital Growth Acc	53·8	57·2
140·9	80·6	European	125·5	132·1
100·0	73·3	Japan	86·5	91·7
157·1	105·2	High Income	128·6	135·5
86·2	60·8	Income & Assets	79·6	*85·1
128·2	94·4	International	112·5	119·8
161·4	99·3	North American	126·2	133·7
131·0	97·0	Extra Income	120·9	*130·0
63·0	40·5	American Small Co's	47·4	51·0
62·3	52·6	Pacific Smaller Co's	53·0	55·4
115·6	81·8	Income & Growth	105·9	112·7
210·7	146·3	Income & Grth Acc	196·6	209·1
108·2	74·2	Special Sits	100·6	*108·2
149·6	106·0	Special Sits Acc	139·9	*149·8
80·9	66·5	Smaller Co's Div'd	75·2	80·5
57·6	52·9	Fixed Interest	51·0	*54·0
111·8	80·1	Global Tech	92·8	99·4
65·4	43·2	Global Healthcare	53·7	56·9
149·8	91·5	American Recovery	107·6	115·7
108·8	76·5	Japan Special Sits	91·5	97·0
82·9	58·2	Nth. American Exmt	78·1	81·8
97·0	71·5	Japan Exempt	87·7	93·3
100·5	69·9	Smaller Co's Exmt	96·5	100·5
99·4	76·6	Financial	93·3	99·4
97·3	72·7	Oil & Natural Res	75·4	79·9
51·1	48·4	Pref. & Gilt	46·5	*49·5
85·9	64·1	Recovery	73·4	78·6
50·6	43·6	Gilt	43·3	46·5
52·4	42·1	Singapore & Malay'n	41·8	*45·5
82·5	59·6	Worldwide	76·3	82·4
275·8	117·7	Pacific Exempt	156·9	163·4
161·5	97·3	Global Tech Exmt	71·3	74·3
97·1	71·7	High Income Exmt	92·7	98·2
276·0	215·9	European Exmt Tst	255·4	*264·0
51·8	40·6	European Small Co's	47·1	49·4

HAMBROS BANK UNIT TRUST MANAGERS LIMITED
Premier U.T. Admin., 5 Rayleigh Rd. Hutton, Brentwood, Essex. 0277 227300

1984-5 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
51·5	47·4	HBL Canadian	43·4	46·2
69·7	59·2	HBL Equity Income	60·6	64·6
59·8	55·6	HBL European	52·6	*56·2
82·1	73·1	HBL Japan & Far E	69·1	73·5
69·3	57·6	HBL North Amer	57·2	60·9
67·6	59·7	HBL Scandinavian	54·9	58·4
68·8	78·3	HBL Smaller Co's	65·5	68·8

HERITABLE UNIT TRUST MANAGERS LTD.
52, Berkeley Square, London, W1X 6EH 01-493 6621

1984-5 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
78·7	53·6	Heritable Growth Fd	72·2	77·0
67·8	50·0	Heritable Income Fd	81·6	86·6

HESMOSS UNIT TRUST MANAGERS LTD.
30/31 Friar Street, Reading, Berks RG1 1AH 0734-595511

1984-5 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
74·3	53·6	Caversham Fund	69·9	74·0
60·9	50·0	Caversham Ex In Fd	57·6	60·9

HILL SAMUEL UNIT TST. MNGRS.
45 Beech St., London EC2P 2LX 01-628 8011

1984-5 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
441·3	328·7	British Tst	407·3	433·4
83·0	61·0	Capital Tst	75·5	80·4
189·0	141·7	Dollar Tst	158·9	169·1
68·4	50·3	European Tst	60·9	64·8
107·5	72·6	Far East	90·1	95·9
281·8	202·9	Financial Tst	262·7	*279·5
40·2	35·4	Gilt & Fix Int. Grth	37·1	39·6
52·8	40·5	High Yld. Tst	49·2	52·4
63·9	47·0	Inc. Tst	59·0	62·8
108·8	78·8	Intnl. Tst	91·3	97·2
34·7	24·6	Jap. Tech. Tst	28·7	30·6
58·8	39·9	Small Co's Tst	55·0	58·6
84·6	68·5	Special Sits	76·9	*81·7
29·4	26·6	Gilt & Fix Int. Inc	27·1	28·2
41·9	31·1	Nat Res. Tst	34·9	37·2
147·9	105·9	Secs. Tst	139·0	*147·9

IBI FUND MANAGERS LIMITED
32, Queen Anne's Gate, London, SW1H 9AB. 01-222 1000.

1984-5 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
108·3	81·7	British & Overseas Tst	96·9	105·1
51·7	50·0	High Income Gilt Tst	48·8	51·4
54·7	50·0	Security Gilt Tst	51·4	54·2
59·6	50·0	Invst. Trusts Fund	56·1	59·1

KEY FUND MANAGERS
32 Fountain St, Manchester M2 2AF 061 236 5685

1984-5 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
177·2	116·5	Key Equity & Gen	163·3	175·8
66·8	57·7	Key Fixed Int. Fd	56·2	*60·4
169·6	125·7	Key Income Fund	155·8	167·6

KLEINWORT BENSON UNIT MNGRS.
20 Fenchurch St., London EC3 01-623 8000

1984-5 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
239·3	172·6	UK Equity Grth Inc	210·0	*227·8
371·6	272·7	UK Equity Grth Acc	340·2	369·1
173·7	126·9	Fd of Inv. Tst. Inc	156·8	*169·7
219·8	158·3	Fd of Inv. Tst. Acc	196·0	209·7
126·2	101·2	Smaller Co's Inc	118·2	*125·3
160·7	126·6	Smaller Co's Acc	151·3	160·4
102·7	77·8	High Yield Inc	96·1	101·9
158·2	113·2	High Yield Acc	148·1	151·0
59·0	48·4	American Grth. Inc	51·9	55·0
59·3	48·4	American Grth. Acc	52·2	55·3
61·5	44·4	Jap. Grth. Inc	52·8	*56·0
61·5	44·3	Jap. Grth. Acc	53·0	56·2
54·0	41·7	Worldwide Tech Inc	40·0	42·8
51·0	41·8	Worldwide Tech. Acc	40·1	42·9
76·5	41·7	Intnl. Rec. Inc	70·3	74·5
78·4	41·8	Intnl. Rec. Acc	72·0	76·3

LAS UNIT TRUST MNGRS. LTD.
93 George Street, Edinburgh, EH2 3JL 031-225 2556

1984-5 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
35·7	25·0	Intnl. Grth. Tst	28·1	30·4
31·9	25·0	High Income Tst	27·8	30·1
36·3	25·0	Nth. Am. Equity Tst.	29·6	32·2
32·6	25·0	UK Equity Tst	28·3	*30·6

LEGAL & GENERAL (UNIT TST. MNGRS.) LTD
Premier U.T. Admin 5, Rayleigh Rd., Hutton, Brentwood, Essex. 0277 217238

1984-5 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
250·3	215·8	Equity Tst	210·4	*225·0
347·1	305·2	Equity Accum	320·2	*342·5
71·2	67·0	Gilt Tst	67·3	71·2
71·1	62·5	Intnl. Mngd. Tst	60·8	64·8

LLOYDS BANK UNIT TST. MNGRS. LTD.
Registrar's Dept., Goring-by-Sea, Worthing, West Sussex. 0903 502541. Dealing: 0444 459144

1984-5 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
155·9	146·2	Balanced Unit Tst	142·8	152·7
257·3	250·5	Balanced Unit Acc	244·8	261·8
126·5	114·9	Extra Inc. Unit Tst	117·4	125·5
213·5	194·0	Extra Inc. Unit Acc	198·1	211·8
213·8	194·3	Inc. Unit Tst	199·4	213·2
402·6	363·4	Inc. Unit Acc	378·0	398·9
110·4	98·7	Pacific Bas. Unit Tst	90·4	96·6
113·9	101·7	Pacific Bas. Unit Acc	93·6	100·1
172·9	154·9	WldwdeGrth Unt Tst	147·5	157·7
239·8	214·8	WldwdGrthUnt Acc	204·5	218·7

LONDON & MANCHESTER (TST. MNGMT.) LTD.
Winslade Park, Exeter EX5 1DS 0392 215347

1984-5 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
36·4	26·4	General Tst	34·0	36·3
28·1	25·0	Inc. Tst	26·1	27·9
31·6	25·0	Intnl. Tst	25·3	27·0

LONDON LAW UNIT TST. MNGMT. LTD.
Salley House, Old Seacoal Lane, London EC4. 01-236 6105

1984-5 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
152·1	100·0	Capital Grth. Fd	139·7	149·5

M & G GROUP P.L.C.
Three Quays, Tower Hill, London EC3R 6BQ. 01-626 4588

1984-5 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
226·5	129·6	American & Gen. Inc	186·7	199·8
257·5	145·8	American & Gen. Acc	212·2	227·1
250·1	152·1	American Recy Inc	209·9	223·6
277·9	172·5	American Recy Acc	225·0	239·6
61·5	38·6	American Sml Co's Inc	48·6	52·0
61·5	38·6	American Sml Co's Acc	48·9	52·3
105·7	77·1	Austral & Gen. Inc	82·5	*87·5
113·4	85·0	Austral & Gen Acc	89·3	94·7
208·2	173·0	Commodity & Gen Inc	190·2	201·6
254·8	215·7	Commodity & Gen Acc	243·0	259·6
346·8	252·1	Compound Growth	324·1	343·5
284·4	209·0	Conv. Growth	257·4	272·8
157·3	120·6	Conv. Income	146·4	*155·2
309·8	221·7	Dividend Inc	290·8	308·2
860·5	590·4	Dividend Acc	807·5	856·0
118·6	87·9	Euro & Gen Inc	106·2	112·6
126·1	92·5	Euro & Gen Acc	125·6	133·1
172·8	131·1	Extra Yield Inc	162·3	*172·0
355·6	250·9	Extra Yield Acc	333·9	353·9
176·5	127·3	Far Estn & Gen Inc	146·5	*156·5
205·3	150·9	Far Estn & Gen Acc	175·9	186·5
205·5	151·6	Fd of Inv Tst Inc	189·9	201·3
311·9	227·8	Fd of Inv Tst Acc	288·3	305·6
471·2	357·4	General Inc	444·8	471·5
968·3	712·6	General Acc	902·3	956·8
61·1	55·7	Gilt & Fixed Int Inc	55·1	*57·9
82·2	73·1	Gilt & Fixed Int Acc	75·6	80·4
60·3	42·1	Gold & Gen Inc	44·4	47·1
60·9	42·9	Gold & Gen Acc	45·8	48·6
259·6	177·2	High Income Inc	224·9	238·4
608·1	427·6	High Income Acc	570·8	605·0
686·7	547·9	Int. Growth Inc	629·8	667·6
1067·1	840·4	Int. Growth Acc	978·7	1037·4
546·8	361·4	Japan & Gen Inc	468·1	497·2
583·4	385·6	Japan & Gen Acc	500·5	530·5
71·4	47·8	Japan Sml Co's Inc	59·5	63·1
71·6	47·8	Japan Sml Co's Acc	59·6	63·2
415·2	268·6	Midland & Gen Inc	388·3	411·6
979·3	613·5	Midland & Gen Acc	920·2	975·4
254·6	182·4	Recovery Inc	239·4	253·8
318·2	222·5	Recovery Acc	299·2	317·2
551·0	393·2	Second Gen Inc	517·2	548·2
1045·3	700·4	Second Gen Acc	980·9	1039·8
548·2	433·5	Smaller Co's Inc	518·3	*547·3
838·1	623·2	Smaller Co's Acc	787·8	835·1
346·1	274·2	Trustee Inc	324·7	344·2
989·0	726·1	Trustee Acc	880·8	933·7
296·8	226·5	Charifund Inc	285·8	296·0
712·0	493·5	Charifund Acc	704·9	712·0
110·8	101·5	Charibond Inc	—	105·5
278·9	252·0	Charibond Acc	—	278·9
33·5	30·4	N.A.A.C.I.F. Inc	—	33·1
346·9	286·5	N.A.A.C.I.F. Acc	—	346·9
365·7	274·9	Pension Exempt	347·4	363·0

MLA UNIT TRUST MANAGEMENT LIMITED
37/41 Old Queen St., Westminster, London SW1H 9JG. 01-222 0311

1984-5 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
283·8	201·5	MLA Un Tst (UK Gn)	259·4	274·9
44·1	35·0	MLA Int Tst	38·0	40·2
23·8	22·1	MLA Gilt Tst	22·4	23·7
31·8	25·0	MLA Income Tst	29·9	*31·6

MANULIFE MANAGEMENT LTD
St George's Way, Stevenage 0438 356101

1984-5 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
97·9	62·4	Gilt & Fixed Int	92·9	95·8
62·9	33·8	Growth Units	56·6	62·3
91·4	59·3	High Income Units	84·5	89·8
103·5	75·6	Int. Growth Units	84·5	89·8
76·8	56·3	Nth. American Units	62·0	65·9
72·8	51·0	Far East Units	65·6	67·6
55·5	50·0	U.K. Smaller Comp's	52·2	55·5

MARLBOROUGH COURT FUND MANAGERS LIMITED
103 Oxford St., Manchester M60 7HA 061-236 9432

1984-5 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
115·5	87·5	U.K. Equity Fund	108·0	115·5
124·5	91·5	Equity Inc Fund	116·5	124·5
129·0	100·0	International Fund	121·5	129·5

MENCAP UNIT TRUST MANAGERS
Unicorn House, 252 Romford Road, London E7. 01-534 5544

1984-5 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
105·6	83·6	Mencap	99·6	105·9

MERCURY FD MNGRS LTD
33 King William St., London EC4R 9AS 01-280 2800. Deal: 01-280 2860

1984-5 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
195·6	137·6	Gen. Fd. Dist	173·3	*184·3
301·4	205·9	Gen. Fd Acc	275·4	*292·9
177·2	125·6	Intl. Fd. Dist	179·6	191·0
265·3	175·3	Intl. Fd. Acc	219·3	233·2
63·9	75·6	Gilt Fund Dist	70·7	75·3
84·2	80·1	Gilt Fd. Acc.	82·1	85·0
50·7	49·1	Amer. Income Fund	45·1	47·9
92·9	62·0	Amer. Grth. Fd Dis	78·5	83·5
94·5	62·8	Amer Grth Fd. Acc	79·9	84·9
103·2	68·5	Jap Fd Dist	87·1	93·0
105·9	65·2	Jap Fd Acc	89·0	94·6
73·2	50·2	Euro Fd Dist	64·8	68·9
75·1	50·7	Euro Fd Acc	65·6	69·7
191·1	131·5	Exempt Fd. Dist	175·7	181·9
275·5	191·6	Exempt Fd Acc	260·0	270·1
140·6	98·5	Rec. Fd. Dist	133·2	140·6
143·5	107·9	Rec. Fd. Acc	134·9	143·5
62·7	47·6	Inc. Fd. Dist	58·9	62·8
66·6	48·5	Inc. Fd. Acc	61·7	*65·6

MIDLAND BANK GROUP UNIT TRUST MANAGERS LIMITED
Courtwood House, Silver St., Head, Sheffield S1 3RD. 0742 79842

1984-5 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
89·6	52·2	Capital	64·5	68·7
91·8	54·8	Capital Acc	85·0	90·6
137·2	114·3	Commodity & Gen	125·1	133·1
199·3	133·9	Com. & Gen Acc	169·9	178·0
53·4	45·0	Extra High Inc	49·1	52·3
55·5	48·3	Extra High Inc Acc	51·8	55·2
53·3	50·6	Gilt & Fixed Int	48·8	*52·0
78·0	63·7	Gilt & Fixed Int Acc	71·1	77·3
125·5	96·5	High Yield	115·9	123·6
152·4	116·8	High Yield Acc	141·2	150·4
136·4	95·9	Income	124·9	133·2
196·2	133·8	Income Acc	190·1	209·1
188·4	120·0	Japan & Pacific	155·5	*165·5
197·7	132·2	Japan & Pacific Acc	162·5	173·0
179·5	76·5	North American	90·2	96·2
140·7	89·9	North American Acc	106·0	113·0
91·4	67·4	Overseas Growth	79·0	84·2
107·9	78·6	Overseas Growth Acc	93·1	99·9
86·3	62·2	Smaller Co's	79·4	85·5
67·7	56·5	Smaller Co's Acc	81·2	86·6

MINSTER FUND MNGRS LTD

1984-5 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
97·5	74·8	The Minster Fd	91·3	96·3

MONTAGU UNIT TRUST MNGRS
11 Devonshire Square, EC2M 4YR 01-626 3434

1984-5 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
56·4	40·7	Gold & Precious Metals	43·0	*45·8
50·3	43·2	Gold & P. Metal Acc	43·8	46·7
72·7	45·8	Japan Performance	61·4	65·4
72·9	41·4	Japan Performance Acc.	61·5	65·5
55·4	41·8	U.K. Mkt Features	49·6	52·9
55·6	41·2	U.K. Mkt Features Acc	49·8	53·1
60·1	45·7	U.S. Special Feat'es	63·5	67·7
67·7	47·3	U.S. Sp. Feat'es Acc	63·6	67·8
63·3	50·0	U.S. Special Income	52·5	55·9
63·3	50·0	U.S. Special In. Acc	52·6	56·0
315·4	215·3	Equity Exempt	299·2	*312·1
389·6	259·7	Equity Exempt Acc.	369·7	386·0

MURRAY JOHNSTONE UNIT TST MANAGEMENT LIMITED
163 Hope St., Glasgow G2 041-221 5521

1984-5 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
117·9	79·7	American Fd	104·3	*111·6
119·3	87·3	Euro Fd	107·3	115·3
166·5	113·2	Smaller Co's Fd	155·5	166·0

NATIONAL PROVIDENT INVESTMENT MANAGERS LTD
48 Gracechurch St., London EC3P 3HH 01-623 4200

1984-5 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
170·3	117·8	Growth Tst Dist	158·7	168·9
255·9	179·7	Growth Tst Acc	247·8	263·7
469·1	349·0	Overseas Tst Dist	413·5	*437·6
589·3	412·5	Overseas Tst Acc	498·2	527·2

NORWICH UNION INSURANCE GROUP

1984-5 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
1010·1	798·7	Grp. Tst. Fd	914·4	*962·5

OPPENHEIMER FUND MNGT LTD.
66 Cannon St., London EC4N 6AE 01-236 3885

1984-5 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
Oppenheimer Trusts				
92·5	71·7	Int. Grth	77·6	82·6
44·8	38·6	Income & Growth	41·7	44·6
55·9	42·4	Special Situations	49·7	53·2
31·0	22·5	American Growth	26·5	*28·2
39·2	27·6	Japan Growth	32·0	34·1
32·8	25·0	European Growth	28·3	30·3
39·9	25·0	UK Growth	37·3	39·9
30·4	25·0	Pacific Growth	26·3	28·1
28·1	25·0	High Income	26·8	28·7
Practical 01-623 8893				
45·9	34·1	Income Units	41·5	*44·2
80·5	59·1	Accum. Units	73·3	78·1

PEARL TRUST MANAGERS
252 High Holborn, London WC1V 7EB 01-405 8441 (Ext 4772)

1984-5 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
99·8	73·4	Unit Trust	91·5	97·4
165·9	119·4	Unit Accum	153·0	162·8
69·8	53·8	Growth Fund	64·2	68·3
101·4	77·7	Growth Accum	93·2	99·2
92·8	65·0	Income Fund	85·8	91·3

PERPETUAL UNIT TRUST MANAGEMENT LIMITED
48 Hart St., Henley-on-Thames Oxon, RG9 2AZ. (0491) 576868

1984-5 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
196·4	137·9	Growth Fund	172·3	185·0
148·5	101·6	Income Fund	131·4	140·7
115·0	80·3	Worldwide Recv. Fd	100·8	108·2
73·8	45·3	American Growth Fd	55·8	59·7
65·4	50·0	Intern. Em. Co's Fd	56·6	60·6

PROLIFIC UNIT TRUSTS
222 Bishopsgate, EC2M 4JS. 01-247 7544/7

1984-5 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
64·3	50·0	Extra Income	60·2	*64·0
133·6	95·8	Far Eastern	107·8	*115·5
82·3	73·1	Gilt Capital	77·9	81·1
135·9	92·2	High Income	127·3	135·4
101·0	70·3	International	86·3	92·5
135·2	91·3	North American	113·4	121·5
156·6	108·3	Special Situations	146·6	156·2
142·2	107·3	Technology	119·9	128·5

PRUDENTIAL UNIT TRUST MANAGERS LTD
51-59 Ilford Hill, Ilford, Essex IG1 2DL 01-478 3377

1984-5 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
348·3	257·0	Prudential Unit Trust	323·9	344·5
154·9	134·6	Holborn Gilt Trust	146·6	151·9

QUILTER MANAGEMENT COMPANY LTD
Garrard House, Gresham St., London EC2V 7LR. 01-600 4177

1984-5 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
352·6	267·5	Quadrant General	327·2	348·1
188·8	151·6	Quadrant Income	177·4	188·8
361·7	253·0	Quadrant Internat	319·0	335·8
217·1	171·0	Quadrant Recovery	206·2	*217·1

REED STENHOUSE INVESTMENT SERVICES LTD
145 Borough High Street, 01-628 6011

1984-5 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
106·13	99·6	Wellington Gwth Fd	98·47	104·76

RELIANCE UNIT MANAGERS LTD

1984-5 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
139·9	107·6	British Life	130·8	139·3

ROTHSCHILD ASSET MANAGEMENT
St Swithin's Lane, London EC4P 4DU 01-280 5456

1984-5 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
301·3	221·2	N.C. America Inc	224·8	236·6
320·9	235·0	N.C. America Acc	238·8	251·3
200·0	158·9	N.C. Energy Resn. Tst	179·7	189·1
345·4	243·9	N.C. Income Fund	325·0	342·0
146·9	98·5	N.C. Jap Fd	124·9	131·4
115·8	93·3	N.C. Smaller Co's	109·0	*114·7
103·5	100·0	N.C. Smaller Eurp'n	97·4	102·5

ROWAN UNIT TST MNGT LTD.
1 Finsbury Ave., London EC2M 2PA 01-606 1066

1984-5 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
218·0	160·5	American Fd	202·5	206·5
570·0	435·0	Secs Fd	555·0	*570·0
285·0	212·0	Merlin Fd	272·0	280·0
130·5	95·8	High Yield Fd	124·0	127·5
120·5	112·5	High Int Fd	116·5	*117·5
150·0	130·0	Fixed Int Fd	144·5	*145·5
140·5	105·5	Far East Fd	133·0	136·5

ROYAL LIFE FD MNGT LTD
New Hall Place, Liverpool L69 3HS 051-227 4422

1984-5 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
50·5	37·1	Equity Tst	46·8	49·7
68·5	44·7	Int Tst	56·1	59·6
27·5	24·4	Gilt Tst	24·9	26·2
33·0	24·9	U.S. Tst	27·0	28·7
29·1	25·9	Pac Basin Tst	24·4	25·9

THE ROYAL LONDON UNIT TRUST MANAGERS LTD
Royal London Hse, Colchester CO1 1RA (0206) 576115

1984-5 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
150·1	110·9	Cap Acc Tst	139·3	148·2
83·2	49·3	American Growth	66·0	70·3
54·4	49·9	Gilt Inc	48·7	*51·3
58·7	46·5	High Inc	54·8	*58·3
69·7	49·7	Inc & Growth	65·1	69·3
81·6	52·9	Special Sits	75·2	*80·0

SAVE & PROSPER GROUP
Hexagon House, 28 Western Rd. Romford RM1 3LB. 0708 66966

1984-5 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
70·4	49·9	American Inc&Gwth	61·2	65·4
96·7	69·3	Capital Units	84·6	90·4
62·4	48·6	Commodity Share	54·4	*57·8
61·7	49·0	Energy Inds	54·0	*57·4
61·7	49·6	Euro Growth	54·4	58·4
74·5	52·2	Financial Secs	67·9	72·6
58·5	52·1	Gilt & Fxd Int Inc	50·0	*52·7
139·3	102·5	High Return	128·9	137·2
125·7	99·2	High Yield	115·1	122·4
82·0	63·6	Income Units	74·0	*78·7
76·6	56·1	Inv Tst Units	69·1	73·9
64·2	42·4	Japan Growth	53·4	56·8
95·5	62·5	Japan Small Co's	79·1	84·5
120·7	84·7	New Tech Fd	98·2	104·4
104·0	75·6	Scotbits	95·8	102·4
131·7	105·3	Scotshares	123·2	131·0
115·2	83·9	Scotyields	106·9	*113·7
69·9	49·7	Select Int	59·1	63·2
123·0	91·4	Smaller Co's Inc	114·7	122·0
111·5	70·8	South East Asia	90·9	96·6
79·0	58·7	Special Sits	73·7	78·8
143·4	104·2	U.K. Equity	133·0	142·2
76·7	39·3	US Growth	62·5	*66·4
77·3	58·3	Universal Growth	66·2	70·4

SCHRODER UNIT TST. MANAGERS LTD.
Regal House, 14 James St. WC2 0705 827733

1984-5 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
130·9	97·1	Amer Fd Inc	105·4	112·3
132·0	91·6	Amer Fd Acc	106·3	113·5
61·6	59·1	Aust Fd Inc	60·1	*64·0
65·2	62·1	Aust Fd Acc	64·7	67·9
62·6	55·5	Euro Fd Inc	61·5	65·5
63·7	55·6	Euro Fd Acc	62·2	66·3
59·4	51·2	Gilt & Fxd Int Fd Inc	51·4	*54·2
71·0	63·1	Gilt & Fxd Int Fd Acc	71·2	75·1
50·5	41·1	Gold Fd Inc	42·1	44·8
50·5	41·1	Gold Fd Acc	42·1	44·8
137·5	101·3	Inc Fd Inc	127·2	135·6
290·0	204·8	Inc Fd Acc	268·3	286·4
100·5	71·2	Intnl Fd Inc	84·4	89·9
157·5	91·0	Intnl Fd Acc	115·4	123·0
70·0	50·0	Jap Sml Co's Fd	59·5	63·4
520·1	304·3	Pen & Charity Fd Inc	465·8	*465·0
626·9	488·2	Recovery Fd Inc	564·6	601·9
79·4	73·1	Sing & Malay Fd Inc	73·6	77·3
82·4	73·8	Sing & Malay Fd Acc	73·4	78·2
113·6	86·5	Sml Co's Fd Inc	104·3	111·1
117·1	88·0	Sml Co's Fd Acc	107·5	114·5
1152·2	82·05	Spec Exempt Fd Inc	962·4	1026·0
97·5	70·6	Special Sits Fd Inc	80·4	85·7
79·0	71·6	Special Sits Fd Acc	82·2	87·6
134·5	99·7	Tokyo Fd Inc	120·9	*128·8
135·6	99·6	Tokyo Fd Acc	121·7	129·7
142·0	82·9	UK Equity Fd Inc	78·2	83·3
120·0	82·4	UK Equity Fd Acc	116·9	124·6
55·6	46·7	U.S. Sml Co's Fd Acc	51·1	54·4

SCHRODER UNIT TRUST MANAGERS INTERNATIONAL LIMITED
Box 273, St. Peter Port, Guernsey 0481 28750

Schroder Portfolio Selection Fund Ltd.

1984-5 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
1·118	0·983	American Fund	0·999	1·068
$1·196	$0·952	Aus. Smaller Co's Fd	$1·007	$1·077
200·4	65·3	Australian Fund	76·2	81·4
111·5	107·7	British Fund	102·9	110·0
112·7	101·3	European Fund	101·9	108·9
96·8	84·1	Gold Fund	87·8	93·8
132·8	101·0	Hong Kong Fund	104·7	111·9
119·4	100·3	International Fund	100·0	106·9
116·5	101·3	Japanese Fund	97·3	104·0
111·7	101·3	Jap. Smaller Co's Fd	93·5	100·0
117·0	101·2	Singapore & Mal. Fd	95·0	101·5
$1·053	$1·005	Dollar Fixed Int'est	$0·96	$1·031
101·9	92·1	Sterling Fixed Int'est	95·1	101·9
5·064	5·00	Deutschemark Cur'y	—	5·064
2·029	1·001	Dollar Currency	—	1·025
1·034	1·001	Sterling Currency	—	1·034
203·4	200·1	Yen Currency	—	203·1
105·9	100·3	Managed Currency	92·2	98·9

SCOTTISH EQUITABLE FUND MANAGERS LTD.
31 St Andrews Square, Edinburgh 031-556 9101

1984-5 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
132·0	102·5	Income Units	123·6	131·5
188·6	144·4	Accum Units	176·6	187·9

SCOTTISH MUTUAL INVESTMENT MANAGERS LTD.
109 St Vincent Street, Glasgow 041-248 6100

1984-5 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
106·1	98·8	Gilt & Fixed Int est	97·9	104·2
134·4	100·0	U.K. Equity	124·6	132·6

SCOTTISH UNIT MANAGERS LTD
29 Charlotte Square, Edinburgh EH2 4HA 031-226 4372

1984-5 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
36·5	23·5	World Growth Fd	30·1	32·2
43·5	33·1	Pacific Fd	35·8	38·3
36·6	26·8	Income Fund	34·8	*36·7
35·2	24·7	Nth. American Fd	30·9	33·1

SCOTTISH WIDOWS' FUND MANAGEMENT
PO Box 902, Edinburgh EH16 5BU 031-655 6000

1984-5 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
212·4	159·6	Pegasus Equity Acc	198·9	210·7

STANDARD LIFE TRUST MANAGEMENT LTD
3 George St. Edinburgh EH2 2XZ 031-225 2552

1984-5 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
202·8	139·6	Income Units	186·4	199·8
215·0	146·8	Accum. Units	198·6	212·9

STEWART UNIT TST MANAGERS LTD.
45, Charlotte Sq., Edinburgh 031-226 3271

1984-5 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
220·0	152·8	American Fund	184·3	196·5
163·9	106·8	Australia Fund	111·2	118·4
431·3	308·6	British Capital Fund	413·0	436·5
184·4	140·4	European Fund	160·7	171·4
230·5	153·0	Japan Fund	191·8	201·5
123·4	98·7	Saints PPP	117·2	123·4

SUN ALLIANCE FUND MANAGEMENT LTD
Sun Alliance House, Horsham 0403 56293

1984-5 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
336·2	248·9	Equity	310·8	330·6
63·5	49·3	North America	50·6	55·7
59·1	50·0	Far East	49·7	52·8

TSB UNIT TRUST
PO Box 3 Keens House, Andover, Hants, SP10 1PG. 0264 62188 Dealings: 0264 63432-3

1984-5 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
130·2	93·9	Gen Inc	121·1	128·9
206·3	147·8	Gen Acc	191·9	204·2
267·8	194·0	Intl Inc	229·3	244·0
323·0	232·4	Intl Acc	276·5	294·3
169·0	124·2	Inc Inc	157·8	167·9
249·6	176·2	Inc Acc	233·1	248·0
155·8	91·8	Pacific Inc	112·6	119·8
138·1	92·7	Pacific Acc	114·4	121·2
118·0	76·6	American Inc	96·5	102·7
121·5	77·9	American Acc	99·3	105·7
50·6	37·5	Selected Opps Inc	46·9	*49·9
54·4	39·2	Selected Opps Acc	50·3	53·6
100·9	75·4	Extra Inc Inc	85·1	*90·6
101·2	75·4	Extra Inc Acc	94·8	100·9
51·0	44·9	Gilt & Fix Int Inc	46·4	48·4
57·4	51·8	Gilt & Fix Int Acc	55·0	57·3
58·2	49·7	Natural Res Inc	51·8	55·2
58·2	49·7	Natural Res Acc	51·8	55·2

TARGET TST MNGRS LTD
Target House, Gatehouse Rd. Aylesbury, Bucks. 0296 5941

1984-5 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
86·4	60·3	Amer Eagle Fd	66·8	71·4
39·7	28·9	Australia Fd	30·0	32·0
121·6	95·5	Commodity Fd	99·0	106·5
61·7	45·3	Energy Fd	47·2	50·5
108·4	74·3	Equity Fd	101·2	107·9
97·0	81·6	Extra Inc. Fd	83·6	*89·4
213·1	150·3	Financial Fd	197·1	210·9
220·6	197·0	Gilt Cap. Fd	208·5	218·3
113·2	100·5	Gilt Inc. Fd	99·2	*103·9
68·1	63·6	Gold Fd	68·5	73·7
134·0	114·2	Gold Fd. Acc	128·6	151·8
62·6	44·5	Income Fd	57·5	*61·5
115·7	83·4	Inv. Tst. Fd	100·1	106·8
56·8	39·3	Japan Fd	46·7	49·8
37·4	28·7	Malaysia & Sing. Fd	29·0	30·9
82·6	50·9	Pacific Fd	65·6	70·2
100·1	60·7	Pacific Re. Inv	79·5	85·0
15·7	14·9	Pref. Share Fd	15·4	16·1
496·1	337·5	Professional Fd	465·1	496·1
89·7	61·2	Special Sits. Fd	83·3	*89·6
56·7	41·9	Technology Fd	42·1	45·0
56·5	45·8	U.S. Special Bond Fd	48·6	*51·9
126·0	88·1	Worldwide Cap. Fd	118·8	119·2
671·0	450·2	Equity Exempt Fd	629·1	671·0
1307·0	807·5	Equity Exempt Fd Ac	1131·6	1207·0

TEMPLE BAR UNIT TST MNGRS
Electra House, Temple Place, Victoria Embankment, London WC2R 3HP. 01-836 7766

1984-5 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
41·7	36·2	Gilt Tst	37·4	38·7
50·0	39·1	High Inc. Tst	41·4	44·1
133·1	84·9	Nth. American Tst	107·5	114·4
120·9	91·9	Recovery Tst	115·6	120·9
69·7	55·9	St.Vinc't High Inc Tst	65·6	67·7
85·4	50·0	St.Vinc't U.S. Grth T	69·4	72·3

TOUCHE REMNANT UNIT TRUST MANAGEMENT LTD
Mermaid House, 2 Puddle Dock, London EC4V 3AT. 01-236 6565

1984-5 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
47·2	33·0	Inc. & Growth Fd	43·3	46·6
43·9	30·7	Overseas Growth Fd	35·8	38·1
31·4	22·0	American Growth Fd	25·8	*27·8
40·8	27·1	General Growth Fd	37·2	39·6
35·6	26·0	Global Tech Fd	29·3	31·2
40·4	35·5	Inc. Monthly Fd	37·6	*40·0
40·7	25·0	Smaller Co's Fd	38·2	40·7
42·9	25·4	Special Opp. Fd	39·8	42·9

TRANSATLANTIC & GENERAL SECURITIES COMPANY LTD

1984-5 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
394·3	283·8	Colemco (Inc.)	376·7	393·8
626·8	438·7	Colemco (Acc.)	601·6	626·8
165·4	95·9	S.&W. American Tst	140·7	147·5

TYNDALL MANAGERS LIMITED
18 Canynge Rd. Bristol BS99 7UA 0272 732241

1984-5 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
90·0	61·3	Australian Secs	65·2	69·8
91·4	62·7	Australian Acc	66·9	71·6
287·4	228·4	Capital Fd	268·8	284·8
491·4	378·6	Capital Acc	460·4	488·1
55·7	49·4	Euro Grth Fd. Acc	49·2	52·5
232·0	199·2	Exempt Fd	215·6	*229·8
465·6	397·2	Exempt Acc	460·6	490·6
154·1	115·4	Far East Fd	128·7	*138·1
163·5	120·0	Far East Acc	136·6	146·6
41·6	32·4	Fin & Prop Fd	39·0	41·6
43·6	33·8	Fin & Prop Acc	40·8	43·6
116·1	106·6	Gilt Cap Int	108·0	115·9
132·2	112·2	Gilt Cap Acc	120·2	129·4
112·0	180·6	Gilt Inc Int	101·4	*105·2
157·6	139·9	Gilt Inc Acc	150·3	155·9
43·5	35·8	High Yield Inc	40·6	41·3
87·7	64·1	High Yield Acc	81·6	87·7
181·2	145·6	Income Fd	167·6	*177·0
174·1	125·3	Income Acc	166·5	176·1
141·8	108·4	Intl Earn Fd	135·2	143·0
159·2	119·8	Intl Earn Acc	148·4	156·2
68·5	49·3	Intnl Grth Fd	59·1	*63·0
68·2	53·6	Intnl Grth Acc	60·5	64·4
84·7	60·5	Japan Grth Fd. Acc	64·5	68·2
261·4	177·6	Nat Res Fd	201·0	217·4
287·4	184·8	Nat Res Acc	225·2	244·9
126·0	86·0	Nth Amer Grth Fd	105·5	112·3
143·3	107·7	Nth Amer Grt Acc	121·9	130·5
115·8	104·6	Pref Fd	109·6	116·7
259·4	228·0	Pref. Acc	243·6	259·4
343·6	251·6	Scot. Inc. Fd	307·2	327·2
348·8	258·0	Scot. Inc. Acc	327·5	348·0
153·7	122·1	Small Cos Fd	144·3	*153·7
201·3	156·9	Small Cos Acc	189·3	201·3
98·9	70·3	Special Sits Fd	85·3	89·1
90·7	69·2	Special Acc	85·0	90·6

WARBURG INVEST. MNGMT. (IOM) LTD.

1984-5 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
65·6	55·1	Merc. Isle of Man Fd	61·1	65·0
46·4	39·4	Merc Intnl Bnd Fnd	40·5	43·1

WARDLEY UNIT TST. MANAGERS LTD.
7 Devonshire Sq., London EC2M 4HN 01-626 4411

1984-5 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
81·5	54·4	Japan Grth	66·8	71·9
80·6	50·8	American	63·0	67·8
61·6	48·4	Natural Resources	50·5	53·8
79·0	47·4	Far East & Gen.	66·3	70·6
65·4	44·0	Income	60·0	64·6
104·6	70·4	U.K.	96·7	102·9
119·5	82·6	Small Companies	110·9	*119·3
41·1	30·6	Technology	41·3	43·9
45·0	33·5	Australia	37·5	40·3
26·5	25·8	European Growth	23·8	25·5

WAVERLEY ASSET MANAGEMENT LTD.
13 Charlotte Square, Edinburgh EH2 4DJ 031-225 1551

1984-5 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
25·0	18·9	Australian Gold Fd	17·8	19·0
29·5	20·4	Pacific Bas Eq Fd	19·4	20·7

WHITTINGDALE UNIT TRUST MANAGERS.
2, Honey Lane, London, EC2V 8BT. 01-606 9085

1984-5 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
55·7	51·4	Short Dated Gilt Fd	54·8	55·7

ANTHONY WIELER UNIT TST. MNGMT. LTD.

1984-5 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
67·8	50·6	Growth Fd	60·5	65·0
92·0	68·0	Growth Acc	82·3	88·5

INSURANCE, PROPERTY, BONDS, ETC.

ABBEY LIFE ASSURANCE CO. LTD
Abbey Life House, 80, Holdenhurst Rd. Bournemouth, BH8 8AL. 0202 292373

1984-5 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
223·2	223·7	Prop. Ser. 1	212·5	223·7
88·8	78·0	Equity Ser 1	83·0	87·4
293·6	282·8	Prop Acc. Ser. 2	275·5	290·0
91·6	71·2	Equity Acc. Ser. 2	85·8	90·4
219·7	178·5	Selective Acc	206·1	217·0
207·6	182·3	Money Series 3	197·2	207·6
232·8	207·4	Conv. Ser. 3	211·6	222·8
230·5	228·5	Prop. Ser. 4	216·6	228·0
97·1	73·1	Equity Ser 4	91·1	95·9
172·7	152·8	Fixed Int. Ser. 4	160·5	169·0
117·9	101·1	Indexed Inv. Ser. 4	108·8	114·6
256·1	170·5	American Ser. 4	221·0	237·7
229·9	173·2	High Inc. Ser. 4	219·5	229·2
212·5	114·9	Japan Ser. 4	188·1	198·0
315·8	258·7	Man. Ser. 4	291·1	306·5
187·1	174·8	Money Ser. 4	177·7	187·1
187·2	154·8	Convertible Ser. 4	177·8	187·2
162·7	157·3	Property S. 4 Cap	149·4	157·3
66·9	55·6	Equity Ser. 4 Cap	62·7	66·0
219·7	186·0	Managed S. 4 Cap	201·9	212·6
129·9	127·7	Money Ser. 4 Cap	123·1	129·6
161·4	145·6	Fixed Int. Ser. 4 Cap	148·8	156·7
105·7	92·5	Indexed Inv. S. 4 Cap	96·9	102·1
239·1	164·8	American Ser. 4 Cap	204·4	215·2
213·1	168·7	High Inc. Ser. 4 Cap	201·4	211·9
204·9	137·8	Japan Ser. 4 Cap	175·7	182·9
Pension Funds				
366·1	316·9	Property	344·7	362·9
602·1	452·2	Equity	559·7	589·2
237·3	194·4	Selective	212·4	221·7
513·0	417·5	Managed	474·4	499·4
319·6	277·2	Security	289·8	305·1
175·5	155·9	Fixed Int	164·1	172·8
119·9	104·8	Indexed Inv	110·4	116·3
226·6	134·3	American	175·2	184·5
213·1	151·5	Japan	181·6	191·2
215·9	229·3	Property Cap	198·8	209·3
253·0	276·0	Equity Cap	327·6	344·9
298·4	251·0	Managed Cap	275·0	289·5
174·3	167·8	Security Cap	165·5	174·3
133·5	125·9	Fixed Int. Cap	124·4	131·0
101·7	81·5	Indexed Int. Cap	92·3	97·2
183·3	127·1	American Cap	156·0	164·3
190·3	136·4	Japan Cap	161·6	170·2
66·4	53·6	Moneywise Frdly Soc	62·3	65·7

AITKEN HUME (GUERNSEY) LTD.
Berthelot House, 5 Berthelot St, St Peter Port, Guernsey, CI

1984-5 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
13·5	8·65	Sterling Mon Inc Acc	—	13·5

ALBANY LIFE ASSURANCE CO. LTD
Station House, Darkes Lane, Potters Bar, Herts 0707-42311

1984-5 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
600·7	442·1	Life Equity	556·7	586·0
269·8	240·6	Life Fixed Int	250·6	263·8
163·7	131·0	Life Intl Fixed Int	149·6	157·8
184·1	128·4	Life Japanese	160·0	168·4
165·3	111·3	Life Nth. American	137·9	145·1
200·4	179·5	Life Property	190·3	200·3
264·1	210·6	Life Intl. Managed	254·8	268·2
440·2	348·1	Life Multiple	411·2	432·8
964·8	688·7	Pension Equity	912·9	918·7
397·5	281·7	Pens. Int. Managed	356·0	380·4
737·2	545·6	Pens on Multiple	681·6	717·4
134·2	101·0	Life Eur'pean	123·0	129·4
182·6	180·7	Life Guarant'd Money	175·0	184·2
135·3	101·6	Pension European	130·5	137·1
474·4	416·2	Pension Fixed Intl	418·2	471·8
295·9	283·6	Pen Guarant'd Money	282·0	296·9
177·1	116·1	Pension Nth America	147·5	157·3
133·3	100·0	Pension Japanese	118·0	124·2
295·0	282·8	Pension Property	270·8	285·0

ARBUTHNOT SECURITIES (C.I.)

1984-5 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
85·2	75·9	Government sec. Tst	73·6	77·1

AUSTRALIAN MUTUAL PROVIDENT SOC.

1984-5 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
109·7	105·5	Gold Plan cap	104·2	109·7
110·5	105·5	Gold Plan acc	104·9	110·5

BARCLAYS LIFE ASSURANCE CO. LTD
252, Romford Road, London E7 9JB. 01-534 5544

1984-5 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
299·7	235·6	Barclaybond	279·3	294·1
342·3	253·9	Equity Acc	319·4	336·3
315·3	240·2	Equity Init	294·4	309·9
189·7	163·9	Gilt-Edged Acc	179·4	187·8
177·4	155·2	Gilt-Edged Init	165·8	174·6
232·3	158·6	International Acc	199·7	210·3
214·7	150·1	International Init	184·4	194·2
255·8	201·5	Managed Acc	238·4	251·0
236·5	190·4	Managed Init	220·6	232·2
339·8	259·3	Managed Pen Acc	306·1	324·4
108·9	100·0	Man. Pen. Init. (Ser.2)	101·4	106·8
214·1	192·6	Property Acc	203·4	214·2
199·3	184·3	Property Init	189·3	199·3
117·3	96·6	Equity Pen. Acc	109·1	114·9
115·1	96·3	Eq. Pen. Init. (Ser. 2)	105·9	111·5
251·5	213·7	Gilt-Edged Pen. Acc	238·4	251·1
105·1	99·6	Gilt-Egd Pen Init (S 2)	96·9	102·1

BRITANNIC UNIT LINKED ASSURANCE LTD

1984-5 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
184·0	136·8	Managed Fund	174·8	184·0
112·0	107·1	Property Fund	106·2	111·8

CANNON ASSURANCE LTD
1, Olympic Way, Wembley, Middlesex HA9 0NB. 01-902 8876

1984-5 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
150·14	139·25	Equity Unit	—	149·84
696·8	527·0	Equity Acc	—	694·3
445·2	358·3	Managed Acc	—	429·7
419·08	417·32	Property Unit	—	419·08
128·45	124·81	Bal Bond Exe. Unit	127·05	128·62
133·33	126·95	Equity Bond Exec	131·67	133·73
126·48	124·01	Prop. Bond Exec	125·02	126·48
241·4	166·1	Sec. America Acc	202·0	213·8
261·2	210·2	Sec. Equity Acc	245·9	259·7
135·1	100·0	Sec. Far East Acc	118·0	124·9
165·0	148·6	Sec. Gilt Acc	153·6	162·8
176·0	152·2	Sec. Int. Money Acc	159·1	168·4
211·7	178·3	Sec. Managed Acc	194·7	205·0
199·5	182·0	Sec. Property Acc	188·5	198·5
376·0	223·4	Sec. Am. Pens. Acc	308·3	324·1
380·1	296·4	Sec. Eq. Pens. Acc	366·1	387·4
139·6	101·0	Sec. F. East Pens Ac	121·1	128·1
220·8	198·0	Sec. Gilt Pens. Acc	207·4	219·5
229·3	185·6	Sec. Int. Mon. P. Ac	205·1	218·1
287·5	233·1	Sec. Man. Pens. Acc	263·4	278·7
269·7	235·2	Sec. Prop. Pens. Acc	252·0	265·7
85·0	78·0	L.&E.S.I.F	87·0	92·0
63·0	53·0	L.&E.S.I.S. (2)	57·6	61·0
229·3	167·0	Sec. High Inc. Acc	210·6	222·9
245·0	177·4	Sec. High Inc. Pen. Ac	231·8	244·7

CITY OF EDINBURGH LIFE ASSURANCE
46, Charlotte Square, Edinburgh 031-225 7658

1984-5 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
128·0	100·0	Ivory & Sime Bond	118·0	125·0

CLERICAL MEDICAL/FIDELITY INTERNATIONAL
Narrow Plain, Bristol, BS2 0JH (0272) 290566

1984-5 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
Assurance Funds				
110·0	100·0	Mixed	102·1	107·5
116·0	100·0	Equity	109·4	115·2
101·3	100·0	Property	96·2	101·3
102·7	97·0	Gilt & Fixed Int	96·9	102·1
103·8	97·5	Indexed Secs	95·8	100·9
103·3	100·0	Cash	97·1	102·3
117·5	92·7	North American	97·4	102·6
108·6	93·9	Far East	94·2	99·2
114·3	97·2	International	99·4	104·7
113·6	99·3	Special Sits	102·7	108·2
116·8	99·7	International Inco'e	106·7	112·4
120·6	98·2	American Income	103·1	108·6
Flexible Retirement Plan Funds				
112·6	100·0	Mixed	101·1	106·5
115·3	100·0	Equity	106·9	112·6
103·5	100·0	Property	97·9	103·1
110·0	98·7	Gilt & Fixed Int	97·3	102·5
105·6	98·0	Index Linked	98·2	103·4
106·2	100·8	Cash	98·5	103·7
120·6	92·3	North American	97·0	102·2
111·1	93·7	Far East	95·3	100·4
114·9	96·1	International	97·6	102·8
117·0	98·8	Special Sits	105·0	110·6
E.I.P.P. Funds				
Prices on Mar 20 Unit dealings on Wednesday				
175·7	128·0	UK Equity	164·8	173·5
166·5	127·8	Overseas	161·9	170·5
157·1	123·0	Mixed	148·6	156·5
127·8	98·6	Stock Exchange	120·7	127·1
119·8	108·6	Property	113·3	119·3
127·8	110·9	Fixed Interest	119·9	126·3
112·1	92·4	Index Linked	106·4	112·1
123·2	110·0	Cash	117·0	123·2
124·6	95·6	North American	107·2	112·9
114·9	97·5	Far East	97·6	102·8
114·7	98·1	Special Sits	106·4	112·0

COMMERCIAL UNION GROUP
St Helen's, 1, Undershaft, London EC3P 3DQ. 01-283 7500

1984-5 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
190·50	136·6	Prime Life Mngd	178·4	187·8
327·35	151·35	Variable An-Acc Un	—	327·35
43·99	33·10	Variable An-Ap Un	—	43·99
198·1	138·5	Prime Life UK Eqty	187·2	197·1
173·0	130·6	Prime Life Intl Eqty	147·3	155·1
121·5	89·4	Prime Inc. Tsts	108·9	114·7
124·3	110·6	Prime Life Fix. Int	118·0	124·3
104·0	97·7	Prime Life In.Ld.Gilt	95·7	100·8
113·6	100·0	Prime Life Property	108·5	114·3
113·5	100·0	Prime Life Cash	107·8	113·5
166·2	130·0	Prime Pens. Mngd	156·9	165·2
167·7	102·0	Prime Pens. UK Eqty	157·6	165·9
153·2	98·0	Prime Pens. Intrn Eq.	127·2	133·9
126·1	98·7	PrimePens.Inv.Tsts	111·8	117·7
115·1	96·4	Prime Pens. Fix. Int	109·3	115·1
109·7	99·7	PrimePenInLnkdGilt	100·6	105·9
114·8	100·0	Prime Pens. Property	108·5	114·2
124·1	100·0	Prime Pens. Cash	107·0	112·7

CONFEDERATION LIFE INS. CO.
52, Chancery Lane, London WC2A 1HE 01-242 0282

1984-5 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
487·1	396·1	Managed Fd	462·8	487·1
555·0	412·3	Equity Fd	518·2	545·4
162·4	150·7	Fixed Int. Fd	154·3	162·4
119·5	110·5	Property Fd	113·6	119·5
169·5	125·2	Intnl. Fd	160·1	168·5
112·0	100·0	Index Linked Fd	106·3	111·8
115·0	100·0	Cash Deposit Fd	115·0	121·0
413·39	303·5	P.I.P. Fd	413·28	413·28
283·3	211·0	PersonalPenMngdFd	269·2	283·3
283·3	211·0	Stanguard M'gd'nFd	269·2	283·3

CORNHILL INSURANCE PLC

1984-5 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
428·5	354·0	Managed Fd	403·0	424·5
197·0	155·5	Equity Fd	184·5	194·5
149·5	100·0	FarEasternEquityFd	125·5	132·5
134·5	99·0	Nth.Amer.Equity Fd	119·8	126·0
136·5	104·0	Intnl. Tech. Fd	114·0	120·0
145·0	130·0	Fixed Interest Fd	137·0	144·5
111·0	100·0	Property Fd	105·0	111·0
135·5	124·5	Money Fd	126·5	133·5

Crescent Life Assurance Prices see LAS Group

CRITERION ASSURANCE GROUP
Swan Court, Petersfield, Hants 0730-63281

1984-5 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
127·4	100·0	Criterion Man Fd	119·8	126·1
41·9	31·6	Pension Man Cap	39·0	41·0
45·9	31·6	Pension Man Acc	42·8	45·1
—	—	Pen Guteed Dep Cap	—	—
30·8	27·4	Pen Guteed Dep Acc	29·2	30·8

CROWN FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT LTD.
Crown House, Woking, GU21 1XW. (04862) 5033

1984-5 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
Life Funds				
258·4	211·3	Managed Acc	241·3	253·9
201·5	178·8	Fixed Int Acc	189·1	199·0
292·2	214·7	Equity Acc	273·9	288·3
164·9	150·0	Money Acc	156·7	164·9
322·0	243·9	Inv Tst Acc	299·4	315·1
272·3	196·8	Intl Acc	232·6	244·8
244·6	188·5	High Inc Acc	230·8	242·9
170·6	149·8	Property Acc	162·1	170·6
101·0	93·6	European Acc	89·0	93·6
100·0	89·9	Japanese Acc	85·5	89·9
100·0	92·6	American Acc	88·0	92·6
Individual Pension Fds				
220·4	169·5	Managed Acc	208·4	219·3
186·6	161·2	Fixed Int Acc	175·1	184·3
298·1	206·5	Equity Acc	280·6	295·3
150·1	133·4	Money Acc	142·6	150·1
Group Pension Funds				
295·0	226·2	Mixed	283·4	293·6
193·3	167·5	Fixed Int	190·2	193·1
304·2	209·4	Equity	290·8	301·3
185·1	161·8	Money	183·1	183·1

EAGLE STAR INSURANCE MIDLAND ASSURANCE

1984-5 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
175·4	125·6	Eagle Midland Units	152·8	157·8

EQUITABLE LIFE ASSURANCE SOCIETY
4, Coleman Street, London EC2R 5AP 01-606 6611

1984-5 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
114·3	100·0	Far Eastern	101·2	106·5
111·0	100·0	Fund of Inv. Tsts	105·1	110·6
102·5	98·1	Gilt & Fixed Int	97·2	102·3
115·1	100·0	High Income	107·3	112·9
115·4	100·0	Managed	100·7	106·0
102·0	100·0	Money	96·9	102·0
120·4	100·0	North American	99·4	104·6
111·5	99·4	Pelican	105·3	110·8
101·7	100·0	Property	96·6	101·7
113·1	100·0	Special Sits	106·8	112·4
Pension Funds				
118·7	100·0	Pens. Far Eastern	102·6	108·0
118·0	100·0	Pens. Fund of Inv. Ts	107·7	113·4
102·8	97·5	Pens. Gilt & Fix Int.	97·2	102·3
116·3	100·0	Pens. High Income	110·6	116·4
105·5	100·0	Pens. Mngd	103·0	108·4
103·5	100·0	Pens. Money	98·3	103·5
126·8	100·0	Pens Nth American	100·9	106·2
114·8	99·2	Pens. Pelican	107·9	113·6
102·3	100·0	Pens Property	97·2	102·3
116·9	100·0	Pens Special Sits	110·1	115·9

EQUITY & LAW LIFE ASSURANCE SOCIETY PLC
Amersham Road, High Wycombe 0494 33377

1984-5 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
Life Funds				
355·5	276·6	U.K. Equities Fd	334·8	352·4
330·8	206·6	Higher Income Fd	284·8	299·8
215·2	227·7	Property Fd	233·0	245·2
212·0	190·3	Fixed Interest Fd	200·9	211·4
111·1	95·1	Index Linked Secs F	101·6	107·1
166·5	155·6	Guaranteed Dep. Fd	159·2	166·5
217·8	180·4	North America Fd	215·8	231·5
199·8	145·3	Far East Fd	170·3	179·2
137·9	106·2	Europe Fd	124·9	131·4
237·0	170·4	International Fd	203·5	214·2
236·6	212·5	Mixed Fd	271·0	285·2
Ind. Pen. Funds Series 2: Series 1 on request				
464·9	386·8	Equity Fund	382·5	402·6
275·8	214·1	Fixed Interest Fund	214·8	225·8
131·8	124·1	Ind. Linked Sec. Fd	121·2	127·5
193·5	190·0	Property Fund	183·7	193·3
423·8	276·3	Overseas Fund	351·9	373·6
186·1	182·2	Cash Fund	176·8	186·1
225·9	205·5	Balanced Fund	276·2	290·7
101·8	100·0	Dep. Admin Fd Ser. 2	96·8	101·8
193·8	168·8	Dep. Admin Fd Ser. 1	184·2	193·8

FRAMLINGTON LIFE INSURANCE LIMITED

1984-5 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
55·0	50·0	Pension Managed Fd	49·6	52·6
51·1	50·0	Pension Cash Fd	51·1	51·1

FRIENDS' PROVIDENT LINKED LIFE ASSURANCE
Pixham End, Dorking, Surrey 0306 885055

1984-5 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
111·4	100·0	Cash Accum	105·8	111·4
150·0	113·2	UK Equity Accum	140·6	148·1
[illegible]	[illegible]	Stewardship Accum	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Fixed Interest Acc	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Index Linked Accum	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Mixed Accum	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Overseas Equity Accum	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Property Accum	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Pen Cash Accum	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Pen U.K. Equity Acc	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Pen Stewardship Acc	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Pen Fixed Int Accum	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Pen I.L. Accum	[illegible]	[illegible]
106·2	100·0	Pen Mixed Accum	[illegible]	[illegible]
150·0	100·0	Pen Overseas Accum	145·8	153·5
111·0	100·0	Pen Property Accum	105·4	111·0

GENERAL ACCIDENT LINKED LIFE ASSURANCE

1984-5 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
100·4	99·0	Managed	94·0	99·0
103·5	100·0	UK Equity	98·5	103·8
103·3	100·0	Fixed Interest	98·3	103·5
100·4	98·9	Index-Linked	93·9	98·9
100·4	100·0	Cash Deposit	95·4	100·4
100·2	100·0	Property	95·1	100·1
100·5	92·7	International	88·1	92·7
100·4	90·3	American	85·8	90·3
100·8	91·8	Japan	87·2	91·8
100·9	93·5	Japan Smaller Co's	88·8	93·5
102·6	99·5	Pen Man Acc	96·3	101·4
102·5	100·0	Pen UK Equity Acc	97·8	102·9
100·8	100·0	Pen Fixed Int Acc	96·0	101·1
100·0	98·8	Pen Ind-Linked Acc	93·9	98·8
100·4	100·0	Pen Cash Dep Acc	95·4	100·4
100·4	100·0	Pen Prop Acc	95·4	100·4
102·7	92·5	Pen Inter Acc	87·9	92·5
100·6	90·7	Pen American Acc	86·2	90·7
102·1	92·5	Pen Japan Acc	87·9	92·5
101·2	95·0	Pen Jap Sm Co's Acc	88·4	95·0

GENERAL PORTFOLIO LIFE INSURANCE PLC
Valley House, Crossbrook Street, Cheshunt, Hertfordshire. 0992 31971

1984-5 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
332·8	257·0	Portfolio Acc	—	338·6
136·1	102·9	Managed Acc	127·7	134·5
141·6	118·2	Managed Pens	132·8	139·6
134·5	97·5	Intnl. Mngd. Acc	127·7	134·5
137·0	114·2	Intnl. Mngd. Pens	122·6	129·2
103·9	101·7	Building Soc. Acc	98·6	103·9
106·1	100·0	Building Soc. Pens	100·7	106·1

GRE LINKED LIFE ASSURANCE LTD

1984-5 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
155·8	144·8	Deposit Acc	148·0	155·8
422·6	315·8	Equity Acc	391·1	411·6
250·8	216·9	Fixed Interest Acc	233·1	245·3
109·5	98·2	Index-LinkedGiltAc	99·6	104·8
355·9	258·2	International Acc	309·7	326·0
281·2	219·7	Managed Initial	260·1	273·8
321·2	248·0	Managed Acc	298·3	314·0
148·1	96·4	North Amer. Acc	128·0	134·7
150·1	103·1	Pacific Acc	129·6	136·7
149·4	145·4	Property Acc	141·9	149·4

G.T. MANAGEMENT (U.K.) LIMITED LONDON AGENTS

1984-5 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
86·67	87·57	Anchor Internation.	86·56	86·57

GRESHAM UNIT ASSURANCE LTD
2-6 Prince of Wales Road, Bournemouth 0202-767655

1984-5 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
361·5	289·9	Managed Fund	338·6	356·8
176·3	164·9	Money Fund	167·5	176·3
329·7	236·8	Equity Fund	303·1	319·3
133·3	117·3	Fixed Interest Fund	124·7	131·3
196·9	184·8	Property Fund	186·9	196·9
344·7	271·9	Managed Pension Fd	327·2	344·7
230·2	175·8	Equity Pension Fund	210·9	222·2
191·6	172·4	Fixed Int Pension Fd	181·9	191·6
150·3	136·8	Property Pension Fd	142·7	150·3

GRESHAM/FRAMLINGTON FUNDS

1984-5 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
310·7	224·8	American&Genrl. Fd	264·3	278·5
284·9	213·9	Income Fund	289·0	305·5
324·6	254·3	Internationl.Grth Fd	291·2	306·9
318·2	216·7	Capital Fund	302·0	318·2
215·9	158·0	Recovery Fund	196·6	207·2
152·5	92·0	Japan & General Fd	113·7	119·9

HAMBRO LIFE ASSURANCE PLC
Allied Hambro Centre, Swindon SN1 1EL. 0793 28291

1984-5 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
211·5	197·1	Fixed Int. Dep. Acc	200·9	211·5
545·1	417·6	Equity Acc	513·3	540·4
317·0	299·2	Property Acc	301·1	317·0
119·8	100·0	Far East Acc	108·8	115·9
284·2	238·5	Managed Cap	268·8	283·0
447·6	370·4	Managed Acc	423·4	445·3
462·1	271·9	O'Seas Earnings Acc	343·9	362·1
240·3	217·6	Gilt Edged Acc	224·0	235·8
355·5	229·0	American EquityAcc	317·3	334·1
178·3	125·0	American Man. Acc	160·2	168·7
128·1	107·0	American Prop. Acc	115·9	122·1
241·7	214·7	Pen. F.I. Dep. Cap	219·6	231·2
341·7	303·9	Pen. F.I. Dep. Acc	324·6	341·7
389·5	366·3	Pen. Prop. Cap	370·0	389·5
635·6	572·3	Pen. Prop. Acc	603·8	635·6
555·7	446·7	Pen. Man. Cap	522·0	549·5
906·0	711·8	Pen. Man. Acc	851·6	896·5
253·8	225·9	Pen. Gilt Cap	235·8	248·3
334·1	294·1	Pen. Gilt Acc	314·4	331·0
868·9	638·8	Pen. Eq. Cap	801·3	854·0
1100·7	771·7	Pen. Eq. Acc	1003·3	1056·2
149·4	93·7	Pen. Am. Eq. Cap	129·1	135·9
155·4	94·2	Pen. Am. Eq. Acc	134·5	141·6
132·9	95·2	Pen. Far East Cap	118·3	124·6
138·3	95·0	Pen. Far East Acc	123·4	129·9
236·3	215·7	Pen. B.S. Cap	226·9	238·9
342·9	297·3	Pen. B.S. Acc	325·5	342·9
183·1	166·9	Pen. DAF Cap	183·1	183·1
234·7	204·9	Pen. DAF Acc	234·7	234·7
108·6	100·0	Pen. Mortgage Cap	105·1	108·6
113·1	100·3	Pen. Mortgage Acc	107·5	113·2

HEARTS OF OAK BENEFIT SOCIETY
129 Kingsway, London WC2B 6NF 01-404 0393

1984-5 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
52·1	51·5	Property Fund	48·3	51·6
154·5	137·0	Managed Fund	145·6	154·5
120·4	117·0	Pens Managed Fund	114·3	120·4

HENDERSON UNIT TST MNGMT LTD
26 Finsbury Square, London, EC2A 1DA 01-638 5757

1984-5 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
205·1	149·7	Cap. Growth. Fd	192·8	205·0
264·8	185·1	Far East Fd	229·3	241·4
296·4	197·2	Nth. Am. Fd	242·5	255·3
234·8	181·7	Special Sits Fd	213·0	224·3
148·3	125·9	Prime Res Prop. Fd	137·2	144·5
245·4	187·9	Managed Fd	227·8	239·8
208·5	148·2	High Inc. Fd	196·8	207·2
206·1	156·1	Tech. Fd	169·3	178·3
102·8	92·4	Gilt Edged Fd	92·4	97·3
133·5	124·9	Deposit Fd	126·8	133·5
132·2	121·1	Natural Res. Fd	121·2	127·6
116·4	97·9	Man. Currency Fd	105·8	111·4
133·2	92·2	Gold HealthcareFd.	109·2	115·0
129·5	117·4	Prop. Fd	123·0	129·5

HILL SAMUEL LIFE ASSURANCE
NLA Tower, 12-16, Addiscombe Road, Croydon CR9 2DR. 01-686 4355

1984-5 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
206·2	156·1	Security Fd	195·0	205·3
201·1	154·5	British Fd	190·5	200·5
225·8	177·8	International Fd	201·7	212·4
199·1	167·3	Dollar Fd	175·3	184·6
201·9	152·6	Capital Fd	189·9	199·9
228·4	169·9	Income Fd	214·4	225·8
199·9	186·0	Property Fd. Ser. A	189·9	199·9
321·9	302·0	Property Fd Ser. S	308·7	324·2
184·8	138·2	Financial Fd	173·8	183·0
232·5	190·8	Managed Fd. Ser. A	220·0	231·6
403·6	330·6	Managed Ser. S	382·0	402·2
214·3	163·4	High Yield Fd	202·6	213·3
163·0	152·0	Money Fd. Ser A	154·8	163·0
256·2	195·5	Equity Fd	240·0	252·7
194·6	167·1	Fix. Int. Fd	174·9	184·8
110·6	99·2	Index Sec. Fd	102·9	108·3
233·9	177·3	European Fd	213·5	224·8
155·3	124·8	Nat. Res. Fd	138·0	145·3
295·1	214·7	Far East Fd	256·9	270·5
207·8	143·9	Smaller Co's Fd	196·5	206·9
213·8	175·6	Spec. Sits. Fd	203·0	213·7
135·3	121·7	Man. Curr. Fd	125·8	132·5
126·2	99·0	Jap. Tech. Fd	111·2	117·1
109·2	100·0	Pen Prop Ser. A	103·7	109·2
106·8	100·0	Pen Prop Ser C	101·4	106·8
120·9	98·3	Pen Man Ser A	114·8	120·9
118·5	97·9	Pen Man Ser C	112·5	118·5
106·7	100·0	Pen G'teed Ser A	101·3	106·7
104·2	100·0	Pen G'teed Ser C	98·9	104·2
129·4	97·6	Pen Equity Ser A	122·9	129·4
125·3	97·4	Pen Equity Ser C	119·0	125·3
110·9	98·2	Pen Fix Int Ser A	102·8	108·3
109·1	97·8	Pen Fix Int Ser C	100·4	105·7
108·5	97·5	Pen Ind Secs Ser A	103·0	108·5
105·8	97·5	Pen Ind Secs Ser C	100·5	105·8
130·3	96·9	Pen Intern'l Ser A	123·7	130·3
126·5	96·8	Pen Intern'l Ser C	120·1	126·5
126·2	97·0	Pen Dollar Ser A	119·8	126·2
123·4	96·8	Pen Dollar Ser C	117·2	123·4
127·0	96·0	Pen European Ser A	115·4	125·7
121·6	95·9	Pen European Ser C	116·8	125·0
140·5	92·9	Pen Far East Ser A	133·4	140·5
134·7	98·6	Pen Far East Ser C	127·9	134·7
109·1	99·6	Pen Man Curr Ser A	103·6	109·1
107·0	99·4	Pen Man Curr Ser C	101·5	106·7
108·3	100·0	Pen Bldg Soc Ser A	102·8	108·3
105·7	100·0	Pen Bldg Soc Ser C	100·4	105·7

IMPERIAL LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY OF CANADA
Imperial Life Hse, London Rd, Guildford 571255.

1984-5 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
218·2	167·8	Growth Fd	208·7	218·2
Unit-Linked Portfolio				
208·1	172·3	Managed Fd	196·8	207·2
203·2	177·6	Fixed Int Fd	187·6	197·4
160·9	151·0	Secure Cap Fd	152·9	160·9
346·1	258·3	Equity Fd	328·1	345·3
164·9	151·2	Property Fd	156·7	164·9
Pension Fd Portfolio				
217·3	173·4	Pens Mn Fd Series 1	199·6	216·9
207·0	167·8	Pens Mn Fd Series 2	194·6	
210·4	167·9	Pens Mn Fd Series 3	199·6	210·1
102·5	100·0	Pens Property Fd	97·4	102·5
103·5	95·4	Pens Gilt-Edged Fd	96·7	101·8
103·1	99·1	Pens Ind-Link Fd	97·6	102·7
102·5	100·0	Pens Money Mkt Fd	97·4	102·5
112·9	100·0	Pens U.K. Equity Fd	106·9	112·9
115·6	100·0	Pens Intl Fd	106·9	112·5

IMPERIAL LIFE (UK) LTD
Imperial Life Hse, London Rd, Guildford. 517255.

1984-5 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
Imperial Investment Portfolio				
120·4	104·1	Managed Fd	113·7	119·7
105·4	99·0	Gilt-Edged Fd	100·7	106·0
126·8	100·0	Property Fd	120·5	126·8
117·0	97·0	High Yield Fd	110·7	117·0
106·6	100·0	Money Mkt Fd	101·3	106·6
109·1	100·0	Ind-Link Gilt Fd	98·1	103·3
145·6	100·0	U.K. Equity Fd	139·2	145·5
132·7	96·1	Intl Equity Fd	121·9	128·3
129·3	94·8	Japan Fd	114·4	120·4
123·5	92·0	N. American Fd	108·7	114·4

IRISH LIFE ASSURANCE PLC

1984-5 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
242·4	189·2	Global Man	230·0	242·1
509·5	427·0	Managed 1	467·1	491·7

KLEINWORT BENSON INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT LTD
20 Fenchurch St, London EC3. 01-623 8000.

1984-5 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
Off-shore Funds				
£18·60	£15·22	Ben Eurobond Fd	£16·95	£17·10
£21·25	£18·16	Ben Euro Acc Fd	£20·05	£20·24
[illegible]	[illegible]	Ben Gilt Fd	£11·49	£11·55
[illegible]	[illegible]	Ben Int Fd	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Ben Jap Fd	—	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Dezta Inv Co	£4·99	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Fenchurch C's Fd	—	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	—	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Trans-atlantic Fd Inc	—	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Ben Far E. Fd (Fin)	£11·60	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Ben Sterling Ass Fd	£13·01	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Ben Guernsey Fd	152·2	166·0

THE LAS GROUP
10 George Street, Edinburgh EH2 2YM. 031-225 5494

1984-5 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
Crescent Life Assurance				
187·3	146·9	Managed	165·2	175·3
[illegible]	[illegible]	U.K. Equity	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Property	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Money Market	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Fixed Interest	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Japan	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	North American	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	International	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Natural Resources	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	European	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Far East	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	High Technology	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Special Sits	[illegible]	[illegible]
Pensions				
110·3	100·0	International	95·6	98·8
[illegible]	[illegible]	Property	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Money Market	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Fixed Interest	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	U.K. Equity	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	North America	[illegible]	[illegible]
108·6	98·4	Japan	93·3	98·3

LEGAL & GENERAL (UNIT ASSURANCE) LIMITED
2 Montefiore Road, Hove, East Sussex, BN3 1SE. 0273 724588.

1984-5 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
[illegible]	[illegible]	Equity Initial	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Equity Accum	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Fixed Int Initial	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Fixed Int Accum	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Intnl Initial	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Intnl Accum	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Index-Linked Gilt Initial	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Index-Linked Gilt Accum	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Managed Initial	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Managed Accum	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Property Initial	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Property Accum	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	B. Soc. Linked Initial	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	B. Soc. Linked Accum	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Cash Initial	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Cash Accum	[illegible]	[illegible]

LEGAL & GENERAL (UNIT PENSIONS) LIMITED
Kingswood House, Kingswood, Surrey, KT20 6EU. 07373 53456.

1984-5 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
534·2	392·7	Exempt Equity Init.	502·1	528·6
676·4	495·5	Exempt Equity Acc.	635·8	669·3
305·2	267·6	Exempt Fix. Int. Init.	284·7	299·7
390·8	331·6	Exempt Fix. Int. Acc.	360·5	379·5
167·9	126·9	Exempt Intnl. Initial	149·1	157·0
190·8	141·0	Exempt Intnl. Accum	169·4	178·4
413·2	338·2	Exempt Managed Init	388·8	409·1
593·2	416·4	Exempt Managed Acc	492·1	518·1
188·5	172·6	Exempt Property Init.	178·8	188·3
238·4	210·4	Exempt Property Acc.	226·4	238·4
109·5	92·7	Expt Ind Lnkd Gilt Init	100·6	105·9
116·5	98·1	Expt Ind Lnkd Gilt Acc	108·9	114·7
181·6	167·1	Exempt Cash Initial	172·5	181·6
229·9	205·7	Exempt Cash Accum.	218·4	229·9
101·3	100·0	Exmpt BSoc Lnkd Init.	96·2	101·3
101·6	100·0	Exmpt BSoc Lnkd Acc	96·5	101·6
138·2	100·0	Special Deposit Fd Int	125·6	132·2
148·6	100·0	Special Deposit Fd Acc	141·1	148·6

LIBERTY LIFE ASSURANCE CO. LTD
Station Rd, New Barnet, Herts, EN5 1PA. 01-440 8210.

1984-5 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
28·9	24·6	Select Sec. 'A'	27·4	28·9
23·8	17·9	Managed	21·0	22·2
20·8	14·9	Equity	16·8	17·7
24·9	19·2	Blue Chip	22·8	24·1
27·1	20·1	Special Sits	24·9	26·3
31·2	23·5	International	28·9	30·5
25·8	16·7	American	22·7	25·0
24·5	17·3	Pacific	22·5	23·2
18·2	15·8	Property	17·2	18·2
20·9	18·8	Fixed Yield	19·8	20·9
12·0	10·8	I.L. Securities	11·3	11·9
15·1	13·4	Intl. Currency	13·8	14·6
16·9	15·8	Deposit	16·0	16·9

LONDON A'DEEN & NTHN MTL ASSUR. LTD.
129, Kingsway, London, WC2B 6NF. 01-404 0393

1984-5 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
85·3	69·3	'Asset Builder'	80·4	85·3

LONDON & MANCHESTER GROUP
Winslade Park, Exeter, EX5 1DS. 0392-52155.

1984-5 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
420·3	311·8	Investment Tst Acc	—	402·1
169·1	139·5	Equity Accum	—	178·9
234·3	195·2	Flexible Accum	—	228·3
205·7	170·2	Moneymaker	—	205·6

LONDON LIFE
100 Temple Street, Bristol BS1 6EA 0272-279179

1984-5 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
Assurances				
324·5	238·1	Equity	325·9	—
184·1	182·1	Fixed Int	180·2	—
198·5	176·2	Property	198·5	—
154·3	143·7	Deposit	154·3	—
242·1	201·3	Mixed	241·3	—
119·3	100·4	Index Stock	117·6	—
145·1	109·0	International	135·0	—
Pensions				
248·5	172·7	Equity (P)	248·5	—
197·6	172·2	Fixed Int. (P)	196·4	—
147·5	129·9	Property (P)	147·5	—
139·6	124·1	Deposit (P)	139·6	—
197·9	159·6	Mixed (P)	197·1	—
129·0	106·8	Index Stock (P)	125·7	—
140·1	104·5	International (P)	132·5	—

M & G GROUP PLC
Three Quays, Tower Hill, London, EC3R 6BQ. 01-626 4588.

1984-5 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
206·3	120·7	American Bonds	169·0	177·6
260·7	174·7	American Rec Bonds	215·6	224·4
114·8	77·6	Amren Smllr Co's Bd	94·2	99·0
132·9	101·2	Australasian Bds	110·2	115·8
155·8	132·4	Commodity Bds	145·2	150·4
204·2	190·3	Deposit Bonds	194·3	204·2
189·4	150·0	Equity Bonds-Bons	177·6	186·6
424·1	325·6	Equity Bonds-Acc	397·6	417·6
234·4	163·5	Extra Yield Bonds	212·2	222·9
148·6	110·8	Far Eastern Bonds	128·0	134·5
211·4	184·9	Gilt Bonds	197·1	207·0
125·2	88·8	Gold Bonds	95·9	100·8
174·9	132·4	High Yield Bonds	164·8	173·1
114·4	110·8	Index-Linked Bds	106·5	111·9
303·7	224·1	International Bonds	270·1	283·7
155·4	106·7	Japan Bonds	134·9	141·8
132·1	95·6	Japan Smllr Co's Bds	112·8	118·6
346·9	287·5	Managed Bonds	320·0	342·4
358·3	256·1	Property Bonds	251·6	264·3
195·0	143·1	Recovery Bonds	184·5	195·7
544·6	447·3	Family Bond Acc	—	544·6
Pension Funds				
941·8	784·9	Personal Pen Fd	—	930·3
422·9	246·7	American	345·0	360·2
110·6	100·0	Building Soc	105·6	110·6
184·7	165·3	Deposit	175·6	184·7
331·6	243·7	Equity	313·4	329·2
260·1	223·9	Gilt	244·4	258·7
120·5	86·1	Gold	91·9	96·8
121·4	104·8	Index-Linked Gilt	112·8	118·5
117·2	92·3	International	108·5	114·1
139·5	92·8	Japan	120·0	126·1
293·4	234·1	Managed	274·6	289·2
264·5	182·2	PPP	234·4	246·5
352·9	246·8	Pacific	302·7	318·0
161·6	154·5	Property	153·8	161·8
128·0	94·9	Recovery	122·5	128·7

MGM ASSURANCE
MGM House, Heene Rd, Worthing, 0903-204631

1984-5 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
158·5	113·9	U.K. Equity Acc	149·8	157·7
142·5	103·4	Specialsits Acc	135·3	142·5
156·8	101·6	Nth American Acc	137·3	144·6
207·5	145·5	Pacific Basin Acc	175·4	184·7
180·6	155·5	Fixed Int Acc	171·0	180·1
117·9	107·2	Property Acc	112·0	117·9
115·4	107·2	Deposit Acc	109·6	115·4
165·6	118·4	Managed Acc	143·5	151·1

MANUFACTURERS LIFE INSURANCE CO (U.K.)
St George's Way, Stevenage 0438-356101

1984-5 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
298·5	251·1	Managed	283·6	298·5
232·4	197·1	Property	220·1	232·4
323·5	234·9	Equity	307·3	323·5
306·5	268·6	Gilt Edged	286·9	302·0
176·7	161·0	Deposit	167·9	176·7
281·3	206·8	International	252·0	265·3
134·7	100·5	Investment	128·3	134·7
Pension Fund Prices				
304·1	170·2	Managed Init	—	293·0
329·4	183·1	Managed Acc	—	328·3
186·6	135·4	Property Init	—	185·6
209·9	145·7	Property Acc	—	209·9
253·4	167·7	Equity Init	—	252·2
361·6	180·2	Equity Acc	—	359·8
187·1	170·9	Gilt Edged Init	—	184·4
208·4	184·6	Gilt Edged Acc	—	207·6
129·5	117·2	Guaranteed Init	—	129·5
145·8	125·2	Guaranteed Acc	—	145·8
335·1	246·3	International Init	—	300·9
375·8	266·2	International Acc	—	337·6
134·1	111·3	Index Link Gilt Init	—	130·0
139·5	120·5	Index Link Gilt Acc	—	139·0

MERCHANT INVESTORS ASS. CO LTD
Leon House, 233 High Street, Croydon CR9 1LP. 01-686 9171

1984-5 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
296·0	279·7	Property Life Fund	—	296·0
377·3	349·4	Property Pens	—	377·3
137·0	108·6	U.K. Equity Life	—	137·0
522·1	394·4	Equity Pens Fd	—	522·1
254·8	235·1	UK MoneyMkt LifeFd	—	254·3
424·9	391·7	UK MoneyMkt PenFd	—	424·9
218·9	187·2	UK Managed Life Fd	—	218·9
368·6	301·7	UK Managed Pen Fd	—	368·6
142·3	108·6	N. American Life Fd	—	127·5
159·3	111·9	N. American Pen Fd	—	139·3
183·0	140·7	Far East Life	—	173·0
217·5	156·8	Far East Pen. Fund	—	203·1
242·1	194·8	Intl. Man Life Fund	—	229·5
318·1	236·4	Intl. Man Pens. Fund	—	293·0
262·3	236·3	Intl Equity Life Fund	—	247·5
365·6	259·0	Intl Equity Pen Fund	—	341·1
135·6	128·3	Intl Currency Life Fd	—	125·1
161·4	153·7	Intl. Currency Pen Fd	—	153·8
204·1	190·9	Deposit Life Fund	—	204·1
295·9	264·6	Deposit Pension Fund	—	295·9

MUNICIPAL LIFE ASSURANCE LTD
99/100, Sandling Rd, Maidstone, Kent 0622 679351

1984-5 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
130·5	110·5	Acc. Mngd	123·5	130·5
120·0	113·0	Initial Mngd	113·0	118·5
132·5	105·0	Accum. Equity	125·0	132·0
121·5	105·5	Initial Equity	113·0	119·0
121·5	105·0	Acc. Intnl	112·0	118·0
110·5	107·0	Initial Intnl	108·5	114·5
104·0	99·5	Acc Property	97·5	103·0
103·5	98·5	Initial Property	97·0	103·0
114·0	102·5	Acc Muntfund	105·5	111·5
112·5	102·0	Initial Muntfund	103·5	109·5
114·0	95·0	Pens Acc Mngd	105·5	111·5
139·5	96·0	Pens Acc Equity	123·0	130·0
112·0	100·0	Pens Acc Munifund	105·0	111·0

NEL PENSIONS LTD

1984-5 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
222·0	173·3	Nelex Equity Cap	210·9	222·0
384·0	290·3	Nelex Equity Acc	362·0	381·0

NPI PENSIONS MANAGEMENT LTD

1984-5 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
576·4	455·1	Managed Fd	560·4	574·8

Prices at Mar. 1. Next dealing day April 1

NATIONAL PROVIDENT INSTITUTION
48, Gracechurch St. London EC3P 3HH 01-623 4200

1984-5 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
215·4	173·8	Managed	203·3	214·0
252·7	176·9	UK Equity	238·1	250·7
250·1	161·8	Overseas Equity	195·0	207·3
241·5	164·3	Americas	198·9	209·4
198·8	157·0	Far East	173·2	182·4
119·1	112·9	Property	113·1	119·1
173·5	154·0	Fixed Int	162·9	171·5
116·3	98·1	Indexed Gilt	107·0	112·7
121·6	113·5	Deposit	115·5	121·6
Pension Fund Prices				
218·4	167·4	Mngd Initial	203·3	214·0
242·1	180·0	Mngd Acc	227·8	239·8
226·3	164·0	UK Equity Initial	212·4	224·2
260·8	173·9	UK Equity Acc	245·8	258·8
251·9	166·5	Overseas Eq. Initial	216·6	228·1
291·5	210·9	Overseas Eq. Acc	250·8	264·1
272·5	176·0	Americas Initial	222·3	234·1
301·8	187·4	Americas Acc	246·9	260·0
252·2	184·4	Far East Initial	217·2	228·7
226·1	211·2	Far East Acc	241·7	254·5
114·5	108·9	Property Initial	108·6	114·4
127·0	115·9	Property Acc	120·6	126·9
171·2	146·8	Fixed Int Initial	147·1	154·9
129·0	91·5	Fixed Int Acc	162·6	171·2
121·6	101·6	Indexed Gilt Initial	100·2	105·5
120·6	112·1	Indexed Gilt Acc	111·3	117·2
134·3	119·6	Deposit Initial	114·5	120·5
[illegible]	[illegible]	Deposit Acc	127·5	134·3

NATIONAL MUTUAL LIFE
5 Bow Churchyard, off Cheapside, London EC4M 9DH 01-236 1566

1984-5 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
139·0	111·8	Managed Fd	131·6	138·6
152·8	113·5	UK Equity Fd	147·0	154·8
118·5	102·5	Fixed Interest Fd	112·5	118·5
137·9	107·1	Pacific	124·0	130·6
95·3	80·7	North America	85·5	89·9
145·3	116·8	Pensions Managed	140·1	147·5
166·7	117·1	Pensions UK Equity	158·2	166·7
202·5	134·8	Pens. Overseas Equit	170·9	179·9
115·3	107·4	Pensions Property	112·8	118·8
125·6	107·3	Pens. Fixed Interest	116·8	123·0
125·5	98·8	Pensions Index Link	97·6	102·8
120·2	107·0	Pensions Deposit	114·1	120·2

NORWICH UNION INSURANCE GROUP

1984-5 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
565·2	477·8	Managed Fund	536·6	564·8
[illegible]	[illegible]	Equity Fund	973·7	1024·9
[illegible]	[illegible]	Property Fund	289·5	304·7
[illegible]	[illegible]	Fixed Interest Fund	269·8	284·0
[illegible]	[illegible]	Deposit Fund	177·0	186·4
Pensionmaster				
[illegible]	[illegible]	Fixed Interest Fund	187·3	197·1
[illegible]	[illegible]	International Fund	97·1	102·3
[illegible]	[illegible]	UK Ordinary Share Fd	239·2	251·8
[illegible]	[illegible]	Property Fund	134·3	141·3
[illegible]	[illegible]	Deposit Fund	121·9	128·3
[illegible]	[illegible]	Indexed-Linked Sec. Fd	116·7	122·8
[illegible]	[illegible]	Mixed Fund	291·7	307·0
[illegible]	[illegible]	International	95·1	100·0

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UNIT TRUST PRICES

PHOENIX ASSURANCE GROUP
Phoenix House, Redcliff Hill, Bristol BS1 6SQ. 0272 294941

1984-5 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
		Life Assurance Funds		
302·8	244·2	Wealth Ass.	295·0	300·1
		Pension Plan Funds		
		Phoenix		
103·7	92·9	UK Equity Acc.	98·6	103·7
104·0	96·5	International Acc.	95·7	101·7
103·5	100·0	Property Acc.	95·3	100·3
103·9	98·8	Fixed Interest Acc.	98·7	103·8
100·8	100·0	Money Acc.	95·8	100·8
107·5	100·0	Index-Linked Acc.	96·4	101·4
105·2	95·4	Special Mixed Acc.	97·6	102·0
		Phoenix Framlington		
106·8	99·5	Intnl. Grth. Acc.	95·5	100·5
105·5	97·4	American & Gen Acc.	94·5	99·5
107·6	100·0	Capital Gr. Acc.	102·3	107·6
115·6	99·1	Japan & Gen. Acc.	99·5	104·6
106·2	97·3	American Turn. Acc.	93·0	97·8
111·0	100·0	Recovery Gr. Acc.	101·7	107·3
109·2	98·9	Special Mixed Acc.	97·9	103·0
		Phoenix/GT		
106·6	98·0	International Acc.	93·1	98·0
105·5	99·1	U.S. & General Acc.	94·3	99·2
107·3	90·3	Technology Grth. Acc.	84·1	89·5
108·2	96·6	Japan & General Acc.	95·3	99·2
100·0	95·4	Far East & Gen. Acc.	91·3	96·1
105·3	98·3	U.K. Capital Acc.	100·3	105·3
105·3	98·2	European Acc.	91·0	95·9
103·3	93·5	Special Mixed Acc.	94·6	99·5

PROPERTY EQUITY AND LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY LIMITED
Cumberland House, Baxter Avenue, Southend on Sea, SS2 6HQ 0702 353433

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
267·5	224·2	Flex. Mon Bnd Fnd.	266·3	—
112·2	105·0	Int Man Cur Bnd F	112·2	—
100·2	100·0	Tower Mixed Inv Fd	100·2	—

PROPERTY GROWTH ASSURANCE CO. LTD
Leon House, Croydon, CR9 1LU 01-680 0606

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
294·3	286·9	Property Fund	289·8	—
285·5	278·2	Property Fund (A)	280·6	—
11·63	11·23	Agricultural Fund	11·63	—
11·29	10·95	Agric. Fund (A)	11·29	—
258·6	230·5	Abbey Nat. Fund	258·6	—
257·0	229·5	Abbey Nat Fd. (A)	257·0	—
161·7	134·7	Investment Fund	158·7	—
158·1	131·5	Investment Fd. (A)	155·1	—
556·5	408·7	Equity Fund	548·8	—
545·3	399·3	Equity Fund (A)	536·8	—
240·4	219·0	Money Fund	240·4	—
235·2	215·0	Money Fund (A)	235·2	—
259·5	236·4	Actuarial Fund	255·5	—
306·9	185·9	Gilt-Edged Fund	221·6	—
306·9	185·9	Gilt Edged Fd (A)	225·6	—
395·1	357·4	Retire Annuity	395·1	—
196·0	185·0	Immediate Annuity	196·0	—
316·8	237·0	International Fund	292·1	—
316·8	237·0	Interna. Fd (A)	292·1	—
117·2	103·8	Bld. Soc Life Fd.	117·2	—

Property Growth Pensions & Annuities Ltd.

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
357·5	265·5	All W'thr. Acc Uts.	314·1	330·6
357·0	278·4	Inv. Fd. Uts	345·4	—
290·0	256·3	Pension Fd. Uts.	290·0	—
452·3	297·6	Conv. Pns. Fd.	352·5	—
250·2	221·6	Cnv. Pns. Cap. Ut.	250·2	—
428·6	335·5	Man. Pens. Fd.	427·3	—
319·4	256·3	Man. Pens. Cap. Ut.	318·4	—
320·1	284·4	Prop. Pens. Fd.	320·1	—
231·0	214·5	Prop. Pens. Cap. Ut.	231·0	—
299·6	258·5	Bldg. Soc. Pen. Ut.	299·6	—
219·8	197·7	Bldg. Soc. Cap. Ut.	219·8	—
189·6	167·4	Gilts Pens. Fd.	168·3	—
159·4	142·5	Gilt Pens. Fd. Cap.	156·7	—
352·0	253·8	Equity Pens. Fd.	351·2	—
293·4	216·1	Equity Pens. Fd. Cap	293·0	—
128·9	94·2	Intl Pens Fd.	125·0	—
123·4	92·2	Intl. Pens. Fd. Cap.	120·6	—

PROVIDENCE CAPITOL LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY LIMITED

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
137·2	112·6	Equity	127·9	135·0
102·1	87·6	Fixed Interest	95·5	100·8
100·9	78·4	International	91·4	96·5
113·1	94·9	Managed	102·6	108·2
141·7	120·4	Property	133·8	141·2
88·7	68·3	Special Market	73·0	77·1

PROVIDENT LIFE ASSOCIATION OF LONDON LTD
246 Bishopsgate, London EC2M 4QP 01-247 3200

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
636·3	499·0	Unit	595·7	625·5
129·9	124·8	Equity	121·5	127·6
116·0	102·0	Fixed Interest	109·6	115·1
110·5	102·0	Property	105·0	110·5
116·2	101·0	Index-linked	109·4	114·8
109·9	105·0	Deposit	104·7	109·9
130·3	104·0	Pension Mixed Ord	122·2	128·3

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PROVINCIAL LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY LIMITED
Stramongate, Kendal, Cumbria, LA9 4BE 0539 23415

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
379·9	290·1	Managed Fund	343·6	362·1
437·1	327·8	Equity Fund	372·9	393·0
249·7	196·9	High Income Fund	216·2	227·9
216·1	115·3	International Fund	184·8	196·6
301·1	263·9	Special Sits Fund	279·6	294·5
212·4	193·3	Fixed Interest Fd	199·1	209·9
267·0	208·0	Technology Fund	225·6	240·1
247·5	163·8	Nth American Fund	175·5	223·3
216·3	194·1	Far Eastern Fund	178·6	212·7
177·2	125·0	Extra Income Fd	118·7	126·5
295·3	222·9	Man Pension Acc Ut	272·7	287·1

PROVIDENT MUTUAL LIFE ASSURANCE ASSOCIATION
Willian Road, Hitchin, Herts SG4 OLP 0438 739000

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
171·2	139·6	Managed Ord	161·4	169·9
148·8	132·2	Managed Init	148·9	156·7
211·5	125·1	Equity Ord	199·0	209·5
195·3	146·9	Equity Init	183·6	193·3
112·4	97·6	Index Lnk Gilt Ord.	104·3	109·8
109·5	96·1	Index Lnk Gilt Init.	100·4	105·7
188·4	145·4	O'seas Equity Ord	170·5	179·5
174·2	137·1	O'seas Equity Init	157·5	165·6
122·1	116·6	Property Ord	116·0	122·1
112·6	106·2	Property Init	107·0	112·6
127·9	112·3	Fixed Interest Ord	120·2	126·5
119·1	105·4	Fixed Interest Init	110·8	116·6
115·4	107·5	Deposit Ord	109·6	115·4
106·4	103·2	Deposit Init	101·1	106·4
185·8	146·8	Pen Managed Ord	175·3	184·5
171·6	140·3	Pen Managed Init	161·7	170·2
235·6	162·6	Pen Equity Ord	221·5	233·2
237·5	156·3	Pen Equity Init	204·5	215·1
115·4	98·0	Pen Ind Lkd Gilt Ord	106·7	112·3
111·2	96·7	Pen Ind Lkd Gilt Init	102·8	108·2
205·6	152·4	Pen O'seas Eqty Ord	185·4	195·1
188·2	143·7	Pen O'seas Eqty Init	169·1	178·0
129·6	114·3	Pen Property Ord	125·1	129·6
119·5	109·8	Pen Property Init	113·5	119·5
131·9	114·1	Pen Fixed Int Ord	123·7	130·2
122·8	107·6	Pen Fixed Int Init	114·1	120·1
126·7	112·7	Pen Deposit Ord	120·4	126·7
116·9	105·4	Pen Deposit Init	111·1	116·9

PRUDENTIAL ASSURANCE COMPANY

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
153·0	119·0	Prufund Man. Fd	142·5	148·5

PRUDENTIAL PENSION LIMITED

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
196·7	147·9	Prulink Man. Fd	186·1	193·9
135·1	115·3	Prulink Cash Fd	129·6	135·1

REFUGE INVESTMENTS LIMITED

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
122·8	150·2	Managed Fd	172·3	181·4
146·5	131·8	Property Fd	139·1	146·5

ROYAL LIFE INSURANCE LTD
New Hall Place, Liverpool, L69 3HS 051-227 4422

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
433·7	348·6	Royal Shield Fd	405·0	428·5

ROYAL LIFE (UNIT LINKED ASS.) LTD

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
177·4	142·9	Managed Fd	166·5	175·2
209·1	155·5	Equity Fd	197·0	207·3
137·2	123·4	Property Fd	130·4	137·2
250·7	177·9	International Fd	226·6	238·5
141·4	125·8	Gilt Fd	133·2	140·2
118·4	110·3	Money Fd	112·5	118·4
127·8	100·0	U.S. Fd	111·6	116·4
119·0	100·0	Pacific Basin Fd	106·2	111·7

ROYAL LIFE (UNIT LKD PEN. FD) LTD

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
166·1	130·6	Exempt Man. Fd	155·8	164·0
248·6	162·9	Exempt Eqty Fd	233·9	246·2
128·3	112·6	Exempt Prop. Fd	121·7	128·1
326·6	214·3	Exempt Intnl. Fd	286·6	301·6
135·3	114·7	Exempt Gilt Fd	127·7	134·4
125·7	112·2	Exempt Money Fd	119·5	125·7

ROYAL LONDON MUTUAL INS. SOC. LTD

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
210·7	170·3	R. L. Mixed Fd	199·8	208·6

SCHRODER LIFE GROUP
Enterprise House, Portsmouth 0705 927733

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
210·4	170·5	American (4)	196·4	206·7
146·5	111·2	Australian	116·9	123·0
260·2	212·4	C M Valued Man (4)	261·6	274·8
197·0	180·7	Deposit (4)	187·5	197·4
626·5	500·1	Equity (4)	584·7	615·4
206·5	176·1	European (4)	189·4	199·3
272·6	248·0	Fixed Int. (4)	259·0	272·6
216·1	168·0	Income Dist. (4)	203·4	214·1
277·5	209·0	Income Accum. (4)	261·0	274·7
317·3	168·0	International (1)	190·8	200·8
126·3	103·0	International Pen (C)	113·1	119·0
328·6	275·8	Managed (4)	308·9	325·1
300·4	282·0	Property (4)	285·5	300·5
160·5	146·9	Singapore & Malay (4)	139·8	146·1
273·4	214·1	Smaller Co's (4)	255·9	269·5
246·0	178·0	Tokyo (4)	216·3	227·6
254·4	192·3	UK Equity (4)	240·4	253·0
132·5	108·8	Deposit Pension (C)	116·4	122·5
375·0	282·2	Equity Pensions (C)	348·5	366·8
230·9	196·2	Fixed Int. Pen. (C)	212·5	223·6
126·9	109·4	Guaranteed Pen. (C)	118·9	125·1
109·6	95·6	Index-Lnk Gilt P. (C)	102·2	107·5
571·0	463·9	Managed Pension (C)	771·6	812·2
260·3	241·9	Property Pen. (C)	253·1	266·4
231·9	165·7	Spec. Ex'pt Pen. (C)	201·6	212·7

SCOTTISH AMICABLE LIFE ASS. SOCIETY
150 St Vincent St, Glasgow G2 5NQ 041-248 2323

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
201·5	166·4	Managed	189·6	199·6
113·8	145·5	Fixed Interest	155·8	164·1
243·5	185·8	Equity	229·1	241·2
220·4	168·4	International	193·5	202·7
128·7	118·6	Property	122·8	128·7
115·9	97·6	Index-Lin'd Gilt Fd.	106·2	111·8
157·6	132·5	Exempt Man. Fd. Int.	148·1	155·9
190·1	153·9	Exempt Man. Fd. Ac.	179·0	188·5
149·2	131·3	Exempt Fx. In. Fd. It.	140·2	147·6
178·4	152·4	Exe'pt Fx. In. Fd. Ac.	169·4	178·4
181·6	140·6	Exempt Eq'ty Fd. Int	170·0	179·0
218·6	161·2	Exe'pt Eq'ty FdAcm	205·5	216·4
165·5	122·8	Exempt Intl. Fd. Intl	150·3	158·1
200·5	146·1	Exempt Intl. Fd. Acm	172·8	181·9
99·1	97·4	ExemptProp. Fd. Int	92·7	97·6
118·0	111·0	ExemptPropFd. Acc.	112·1	118·0
130·0	113·0	Cash Fund	123·5	130·0
113·2	108·0	Exempt Cash Fund	107·5	113·2

SCOTTISH EQUITABLE LIFE ASSURANCE SOCIETY
31 St Andrew Sq., Edinburgh EH2 2OZ 031-556-9101

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
222·6	156·9	Mixed	208·8	219·8
243·0	144·4	Equity	229·3	241·4
131·3	114·1	Fixed Int.	124·7	131·3
253·8	175·5	International	224·3	236·2
124·1	109·5	Property	117·8	124·1
115·1	96·5	Index linked	105·8	111·4
123·51	109·65	Cash	117·34	123·51
120·4	90·0	Edinburgh Inv.	109·0	114·8
131·6	82·9	Edinburgh Am.	108·3	114·0
121·2	80·7	Baillie Gifford Jap.	109·1	114·9

SKANDIA LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY LIMITED
Frobisher House, Nelson Gate, Southampton. 0703 334411

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
191·0	156·4	Managed Life Acc.	173·3	182·4
236·3	184·6	Managed PensionsAc	222·5	223·4
217·1	175·2	InternationalLifeAcc	190·2	200·2
259·8	222·0	International PensAcc	254·8	258·2
121·1	95·3	ArbuthnotManLifeAc	112·5	118·4
125·6	94·0	Arbuthnot Pens. Acc.	117·5	123·7
105·7	86·2	BritanniaManLifeAc	99·2	104·4
123·6	92·5	BritanniaPensionsAc	114·0	120·0
115·5	80·8	FramlingtonManLifeAc	105·3	110·8
137·0	98·7	FramlingtonPensAcc	124·5	131·0
113·9	88·1	GartmoreManLifeAc	105·9	111·4
138·9	95·9	Gartmore Pens. Acc.	121·8	128·2
115·1	92·1	HendersonManLifeAc	107·2	112·8
130·9	98·7	Henderson Pens. Acc.	116·5	122·6
112·7	91·4	TSBManaged LifeAcc	103·6	109·0
130·8	98·0	TSB Pensions Acc.	116·2	122·3
197·6	159·5	Equity Life Acc.	187·6	197·4
251·7	191·0	Equity Pensions Acc.	238·7	251·2
157·4	143·1	Gilt Plus Life Acc.	148·0	155·7
196·4	174·4	Gilt Plus Pens. Acc.	184·5	194·2
149·6	136·9	Property Life Acc.	141·8	149·3
189·2	167·6	Property Pens. Acc.	179·7	189·2
150·1	137·1	Deposit Life Acc.	142·8	150·1
193·5	172·6	Deposit Pensions Acc	183·8	193·6

SCOTTISH LIFE INVESTMENTS
19, St Andrew Square, Edinburgh. 031-556 9101

1984-85 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
122·5	95·6	Managed	111·7	117·7
119·6	100·0	Property	104·3	109·8
131·6	95·0	U.K. Equity	125·4	132·0
162·2	99·4	American	132·4	139·5
130·5	89·9	Pacific	110·8	116·7
126·4	90·8	European	115·1	121·2
138·7	97·8	International	118·8	125·2
106·8	93·8	Fixed Int.	99·8	105·1
110·8	95·7	Index Linked	101·3	106·8
106·4	100·0	Deposit	101·0	106·4
113·0	100·0	Pens Property	107·5	113·0
138·8	92·0	Pens U.K. Equity	130·2	137·2
174·8	95·4	Pens American	140·5	147·7
158·6	90·8	Pens Pacific	114·4	120·5
131·9	97·8	Pens European	117·2	123·5
147·1	98·7	Pens International	124·8	131·5
108·4	94·2	Pens Fixed Int.	101·8	107·3
113·1	95·6	Pens Index Linked	105·7	109·2
110·9	100·0	Pens Deposit	105·3	110·9
127·6	96·4	Pens Managed	116·1	122·3

SCOTTISH PROVIDENT INSTITUTION
6, St Andrew Square, Edinburgh 031-556 9181

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
132·0	100·8	Mixed	114·5	120·6
130·2	100·4	Equity	122·8	129·4
147·2	102·5	International	127·7	134·5
112·8	101·2	Property	107·1	112·8
107·5	95·2	Fixed Int.	101·4	106·9
108·0	91·6	Index Linked	99·6	105·0
108·3	100·9	Cash	102·7	108·3
119·3	99·1	Pen Mixed Init	112·2	118·2
124·4	101·3	Pen Mixed Ord	117·2	123·4
132·0	99·8	Pen Equity Initial	123·0	129·5
157·1	101·8	Pen Equity Ord	128·2	135·1
147·1	100·9	Pen Intl Initial	126·4	133·2
153·5	103·2	Pen Intl Ord	133·1	140·2
111·6	107·5	Pen Prop Init	105·9	111·6
116·6	101·5	Pen Prop Ord	110·7	116·6
107·1	95·5	Pen Fix Int Init	101·6	107·1
111·7	97·2	Pen Fix Int Ord	106·0	111·7
105·0	89·9	Pen I.L. Init	96·8	102·0
110·1	92·1	Pen I.L. Ord	101·6	107·0
107·8	100·8	Pen Cash Init	102·3	107·8
112·5	101·2	Pen Cash Ord	106·8	112·5

SCOTTISH WIDOWS GROUP
P.O. Box 902, Edinburgh. EH16 5BU. 031-655 6000

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
339·2	265·9	Inv Pol 1	334·5	354·5
331·2	258·1	Inv Pol 2	310·2	326·6
326·5	255·2	Inv Pol 3	305·9	322·0
170·5	150·5	Inv Pol Cash	161·9	170·5
186·7	154·5	Mixed Fd	175·6	185·0
214·4	164·6	Equity Fd	201·9	212·6
135·0	120·7	Prop Fd	126·4	135·0
175·2	132·1	Intnl Fd	155·2	163·4
165·7	148·8	Fix Int Fd	157·1	165·5
117·0	100·6	Ind Stk Fd	108·4	114·2
126·9	118·3	Cash Fd	120·4	126·9
215·7	172·7	Pen Mxd Ord	203·1	213·9
241·7	178·0	Pen Eq Ord	227·9	240·0
146·8	129·1	Pen Prop Ord	139·4	146·8
201·5	146·8	Pen Intl Ord	176·9	186·3
196·4	170·4	Pen F I Ord	185·5	195·2
122·7	103·2	Pen Ind St Ord	113·5	119·5
147·7	131·6	Pen Cash Ord	140·2	147·7
899·7	706·0	PM Man	886·3	886·5
919·4	715·9	PM Stk Ex	905·1	905·1
137·9	123·7	P M Prop	137·9	137·9
153·2	135·8	PM Cash	153·2	153·2
428·9	342·9	Ex Unit Acc	411·6	425·8

STANDARD LIFE ASSURANCE CO.
3, George St., Edinburgh, EH2 2XZ 031-225 2552

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
276·5	213·0	Managed	259·1	272·8
176·9	161·7	Property	168·0	176·9
359·5	250·9	Equity	336·7	354·5
289·7	206·5	International	249·8	263·0
206·2	174·8	Fixed Interest	185·7	193·4
344·2	252·7	Pens. Mngd	323·2	340·3
464·1	317·6	Pens Equity	433·4	456·3
389·5	295·2	Pens Intnl	319·4	336·3
112·5	97·7	Index-Linked	104·5	110·1
151·0	139·2	Cash	142·5	151·0
187·4	164·9	Pens Property	178·0	187·4
211·1	184·3	Pens Fixed Interest	200·5	211·1
115·6	96·3	Pens Index-Linked	106·0	111·6
177·0	157·7	Pens Cash	168·1	177·0

SAVE & PROSPER GROUP

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
103·2	79·8	Global Equity	94·1	99·8
316·8	288·5	Property	299·5	315·6
324·4	265·9	Balanced Inv.	301·9	319·4
250·5	221·3	Gilt	236·1	249·9
59·8	50·8	Property Pension	56·5	59·4
72·1	50·7	Equity Pension	67·0	70·9
68·9	52·0	Managed Pension	65·0	68·8
81·8	65·8	Global Equity Pen	73·5	77·8

SUN ALLIANCE LINKED LIFE INSURANCE LTD
Sun Alliance House, Horsham. 0403-64141

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
		Life Funds		
399·0	304·4	Equity	374·6	394·5
251·9	204·2	Fixed Interest	216·5	227·9
485·6	190·9	International	242·5	255·3
315·1	248·0	Managed	292·8	308·3
257·5	225·6	Property	244·6	257·5
164·3	153·2	Deposit	156·0	164·3
136·0	115·2	Index Linked	125·0	131·6
174·6	99·3	North America	119·5	125·8
116·9	100·0	Far East	99·7	105·0
633·57	421·73	International Bond	—	630·65
		Pension Funds		
218·7	156·4	Equity	206·1	217·0
195·1	171·2	Fixed Interest	185·3	195·1
144·9	119·5	Property	137·5	144·8
206·3	162·0	Managed	192·5	202·5
160·9	133·6	Index Linked	147·6	155·4
243·2	160·5	International	206·9	217·8
136·6	120·9	Deposit	129·7	136·6

SUN LIFE PENSIONS MNGMT LTD

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
330·9	305·0	Pens. Mngd. Acc.	310·6	327·0
167·8	169·8	Pens Property Acc.	158·8	167·2
413·5	357·9	Pens. Equity Acc.	392·8	413·5
178·5	171·1	Pens. Fixed Int. Acc	169·5	178·5
111·4	104·6	Pens. Ind. Link. Acc	103·8	109·3
171·2	166·1	Pens. Cash Acc.	162·6	171·2
185·4	148·6	Pens. Ameri. Eq Acc	151·0	159·0
149·0	120·8	Pens U.S. Bonds Acc	124·5	131·1
141·0	123·2	Pens. Japan Acc.	120·7	127·1
140·1	111·5	Pens Pacific Acc.	119·6	125·9
451·8	390·0	Pens. Far Eastrn Acc	380·4	400·5
327·0	284·5	Pens. Intnl. Acc.	287·8	303·0
125·5	120·8	Pens. U.S. Dollar Acc	113·0	119·0
122·5	110·7	Pens. Yen Acc.	103·3	108·8
106·8	101·3	Pens. Euro. Curr. Acc	95·4	100·5

SUN LIFE UNIT ASSURANCE LTD
St James Barton, Bristol BS99 7SL. 0272-426911

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
359·0	321·2	Managed Acc.	316·7	333·4
207·3	205·3	Property Acc.	196·8	207·2
456·6	421·7	Equity Acc.	433·6	456·5
187·6	179·2	Fixed Interest Acc.	178·2	187·6
110·2	103·4	Index-Linked Acc.	101·7	107·1
171·8	158·8	Cash Acc.	163·2	171·7
216·5	185·9	AmericanEquityAcc	180·4	189·9
124·2	118·5	U.S. Bonds Acc.	106·8	111·6
134·6	123·6	Japan Acc.	114·8	120·9
121·2	103·7	Pacific Acc.	103·5	109·0
329·8	264·1	Far Eastern Acc.	251·2	264·5
253·5	237·6	International Acc.	229·3	241·4
121·7	114·9	U.S. Dollar Acc.	106·7	112·4
111·9	103·9	Yen Acc.	97·6	102·8
101·7	101·7	European Curr. Acc	96·1	101·2
154·1	139·0	Distribution	145·3	153·8

SUN LIFE ASSURANCE CO. OF CANADA (UK) LTD
2, 3, & 4, Cockspur St., London SW1Y 5BH 01-930 5400

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
586·9	456·9	Growth Account	—	586·9
330·1	274·7	Managed Account	—	328·4
411·2	306·1	Equity Account	—	408·0
166·0	138·4	Maple Leaf Mngd. Fd	156·9	165·1
196·8	147·1	Maple Leaf Eq. Fd	185·5	195·3
146·8	138·8	MapleLeafFix.In.Fd	136·3	143·5
129·2	113·1	Maple Leaf Prop. Fd	122·7	129·2
128·5	112·2	Maple LeafMoneyFd	114·7	120·8
229·4	170·4	Maple Leaf Intnl. Fd	205·5	216·4
120·6	112·8	Maple Leaf In LinFd	114·4	117·5
611·4	480·7	Personal Pens. Accnt	—	609·8
299·7	235·6	Pensions Mngd. Acc.	283·9	298·9
100·9	100·0	Pens. Guaranteed Fd	95·8	100·9
103·3	99·7	Pens. Equity Fd	98·1	103·3
100·5	100·0	Pens. Property Fd	95·4	100·5
102·8	100·0	Pens. Fixed Int. Fd	97·3	102·4
107·1	99·8	Pens. Intnl. Fd	94·8	99·8
101·3	100·0	Pens. Money Fd	96·2	101·3
104·1	100·0	Pens. Index Link Fd	98·8	104·1

TEACHERS ASSURANCE CO. LTD

1984-5 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
139·4	114·5	Managed Fund	132·4	139·4
119·1	104·2	Gilt & Fixed Int. Fd.	111·3	117·2
115·1	107·1	Cash Fund	109·3	115·1

TRANSINTERNATIONAL LIFE INSURANCE CO. LTD
55-57, High Holborn WC1 6DU 01-831 7481

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
227·8	103·5	Series 2 Man. Fund	213·7	224·9
284·2	214·8	Series 2 Equity Fund	266·4	280·4
213·5	181·1	Series 2 Prop. Fund	202·9	213·5
202·9	173·3	Series 2 Fixed Int. Fd	190·1	200·1
145·5	157·6	Series 2 Money Fund	138·5	145·5
207·3	158·8	Series 2 O'seas Fund	188·9	198·8
447·1	358·7	Tulip Invest. Fund	419·8	441·9
313·6	253·3	Tulip Managed Fund	294·4	309·8
321·8	181·5	Managed Fund Ini	208·2	219·1
285·0	209·7	Managed Fund Acc.	242·8	255·5
352·1	277·4	Man. Pen. Fund Cap.	329·5	346·8
465·4	355·3	Man. Pen. Fund Acc.	426·1	448·5

TSB LIFE & PENSIONS
P.O. Box 3, Keens House, Andover, Hants. SP10 1PG. 0264-62188

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
128·0	106·5	Managed	119·8	126·4
113·4	104·6	Property	107·5	113·4
159·5	115·0	Equity	145·3	153·3
116·9	96·4	Fixed Int.	109·9	115·8
112·2	104·2	Money	105·8	111·4
254·4	100·0	Man. Pens.	215·8	227·2
102·2	100·0	Deposit Pens.	97·3	102·2

TRIDENT LIFE ASSURANCE CO. LTD
London Road, Gloucester, GL1 3LE 0452-500500

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
263·0	181·6	American	220·2	231·9
190·5	153·6	International	170·2	181·1
278·5	228·1	U.K. Equity	263·6	277·6
265·9	222·8	Managed	246·9	260·0
322·6	255·0	High Yield	305·8	322·0
225·4	199·1	Gilt Edged	210·9	222·1
325·4	267·8	Growth Acc.	283·4	298·4
250·5	214·9	Growth Cap.	232·0	244·3
310·3	287·8	Property	294·7	310·3
261·0	238·4	Guaranteed	246·0	259·1
216·8	198·5	Money	205·9	216·8
251·2	180·8	Fiscal	228·4	251·0
359·5	211·2	Pensions Managed	335·8	353·6
237·1	211·2	Pensions Deposit	225·2	237·1
317·5	272·5	Pensions Property	301·6	317·5
258·7	221·8	Pensions Gilt Edged	240·0	256·7
351·3	265·2	Pensions Equity	332·7	350·3
118·5	104·8	Pensions Prop Bond	99·0	104·4
117·9	107·4	Pensions Woolwich	111·8	117·9
116·0	99·0	Henderson Active	104·5	109·9
123·8	99·8	Perpetual Active	111·7	117·7
104·1	76·2	Trident Bond	98·7	104·7
108·9	100·0	Henderson Pens.	95·5	104·9
133·1	100·0	Perpetual Pens.	122·1	128·6

VANBRUGH LIFE ASSURANCE LTD
41-43 Maddox Street, London W1R 9LA 01-499 4923

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
365·8	295·0	Managed	341·6	359·6
695·5	525·5	Equity	652·6	688·0
295·2	264·9	Fixed Interest	280·2	295·0
254·1	224·7	Property	241·3	254·1
305·1	218·1	International	257·3	270·9
134·6	94·0	North American	112·9	118·9
115·6	83·5	Pacific Basin	99·1	104·4
121·6	94·1	European	110·1	115·9
201·4	188·2	Cash	191·3	201·4
329·0	255·4	Pensions Managed	307·0	323·2
445·9	322·4	Pensions Equity	420·1	442·3
268·2	225·5	Pensions Fixed Int.	254·7	268·2
219·8	201·3	Pensions Property	208·8	219·8
120·1	104·4	PensIndex-L'kedGilt	114·0	120·0
151·0	124·4	Pens Intnat al Money	136·1	143·3
156·0	102·7	Pens. Global Equity	133·2	137·1
104·2	100·0	Pensions Cash	98·9	101·2
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If you are in your mid-twenties and in the process of studying for your accountancy qualifications, our client could be able to offer you a sound, challenging career. The organisation is one of the U.K.'s major high tech. companies and needs a young trainee accountant *for an appointment in the management accounting group. Your initial* responsibilities will include maintaining the general ledger, ensuring that amendments are accurate, and for providing the management accountants with precise, up to date information. You should be used to working to tight deadlines in a pressurised environment, and a have a basic knowledge of computerised financial systems. Ref: 3/5041

MANAGER - MARKETING STRATEGY — c. £19000 p.a. + Car

Our client is embarking on a major expansion programme and needs an experienced marketing manager to identify and define strategic market and business opportunities in the telecommunications industry. Reporting to the Marketing Manager, you will be responsible for evaluating market intelligence, development and formulation of *strategies, product mix assessment and replacement requirements* with specific emphasis on long term business planning
You must have a degree, preferably in management science, or engineering, and a successful track record of innovative marketing strategies, preferably in the communications industry. Based in the Home Counties, the company provides an excellent benefits package which includes generous relocation assistance, where appropriate. Ref: 3/5045

PERSONNEL MANAGER — c. £12000 p.a.

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If one or more of the above opportunities interest you, please phone Sue Godfrey on 01-890 3600 ext. 2325, or write with relevant career details to her at the Personnel Department, THORN EMI Electronics Limited, Electro Optics Division, Victoria Road, Feltham, Middx.

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To apply please telephone or send your CV to Colin Luker,
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Salary will not be a limiting factor: results-linked bonus prospects; car; family BUPA; relocation help where appropriate.

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Aluminium Applications in Transportation

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An excellent salary and benefits package will be offered. The positions report to Bristol and candidates should live in the Central/South of England or South Midlands.

In the first instance please write briefly for an application form to Mrs. Pat Adams, Personnel Department, BP Oil, 28 Baldwin Street, Bristol BS99 7NP.

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Candidates, probably 25 to 35, will be graduates or the equivalent with a minimum of two years' successful line management experience in a manufacturing environment, with a food processing background being an advantage. The potential to make significant and rapid career advancement will be an important factor in the final selection. Ambition and ability, therefore, must be clearly displayed.

An attractive salary plus generous shift premiums as appropriate will be offered, together with relocation assistance and other benefits applicable to this forward looking company.

Please send full details – in confidence – to Mr. K. Davies, Group *Manager – Personnel, H. J. Heinz Co. Ltd., Kitt Green, Wigan, Greater* Manchester WN5 0JL.

Sales Representatives — Industrial Paints/Powder Coatings

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The Postans appointment will be based in the Bristol South Wales area, while Worralls is initially seeking an individual, ideally resident in the Northern Home Counties, to cover the south and east of England.

Candidates will have a minimum of three years' successful selling experience in the industrial paints sector, with particular emphasis on powder coatings. Applicants will be seeking an opportunity with a rapidly expanding company that offers exciting career prospects for the good performer.

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Please write with full career details, including current salary, to: Mary Channer, Personnel Services Manager, Evode Group plc, Common Road, Stafford. Tel: (0785) 57755.

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- advising on safety
- reviewing maintenance and other services contracts.

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Initial salary is negotiable according to experience and qualifications. Usual large company benefits including *subsidised mortgage*. Assistance with relocation is available, where appropriate.

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Candidates are likely to be aged 25 to 35 and qualified to HNC level with at least 5 years' relevant experience preferably in the automobile industry.

Benefits package includes car scheme, pension scheme, medical scheme and generous relocation assistance where appropriate.

For an application form, please telephone or write to Brian Carolin, Personnel Manager, Nissan Motor Manufacturing (UK) Ltd., Washington Road, Sunderland, Tyne and Wear SR5 3NS. Tel: Sunderland (0783) 373681. Please quote reference number D.1200 when returning the application form. Previous applicants need not apply.

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Aged around 30, you will have several years' proven experience selling *at major account level. Experience in communications or a related service* industry would be an advantage.

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For an appointment please contact Christopher Murray, Sales Manager, or Jane Barclay, Sales Co-ordinator, on 01-903 7755.

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Candidates should be educated to degree standard and have three or four years' relevant experience.

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Please write or telephone for an application form to: Ann Griffiths, Personnel Officer, The Wellcome Foundation Ltd., Temple Hill, Dartford, *Kent. Tel: Dartford (0322) 23488.*

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The Milk Marketing Board, which is the dairy farmers' organisation for *England and Wales, is looking to appoint a Senior Projects Manager in its* new product development areas to join a small team of specialists.

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The successful candidate will be responsible for the identification, development and test marketing of new products for a specific group. This will involve considerable contact with a wide range of major third party companies, both inside and outside the Dairy Industry.

We offer an attractive salary dependent on ability and experience plus relocation assistance where appropriate. Excellent benefits are those associated with a major forward looking organisation which has an annual turnover of around £2 billion.

Please write with full career details, which should include current salary, to Carol Carter, Management Development Officer, Milk Marketing Board, Thames Ditton, Surrey KT7 0EL. Tel: 01-398 4101, ext. 2263.

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Opportunities for Physicists, Engineers and Mathematicians

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Candidates should be qualified Physicists, Engineers or Mathematicians as appropriate for the above posts. Candidates *should possess a good degree or equivalent: candidates for the safety equipment posts should also have qualifications* leading to corporate membership of a senior engineering institution. Relevant experience would be an advantage, although not essential except for the safety equipment posts.

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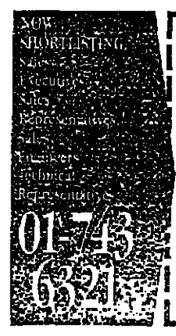


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Quality Manager

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Applicants, (male or female), should be Graduate Engineers who already hold a Senior Management position, not necessarily in the Quality function.

Some knowledge of international Aerospace Quality Assurance Standards would be an advantage, more important is the ability to motivate and control a large department.

Applications, in writing, including full CVs and an indication of salary required should be sent to: Mrs. S. Reason, Royds Personnel Services, 109 Corporation Street, Manchester M4 4DR quoting reference no. 459.

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The successful candidate will be a professional safety engineer and should have both an engineering background and corporate membership of I.O.S.H.

Salary will be c.£16,000 + lease car. Fringe benefits will be good and, if necessary, include relocation assistance.

Applications on a standard form only, please, available by telephoning or writing, quoting ref. 1000, to: Brian Carolin, Personnel Manager, Nissan Motor Manufacturing (UK) Ltd., Washington Road, Sunderland, Tyne and Wear SR5 3NS. Tel: 0783-373881.

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Please write with full details. These will be forwarded direct to our client. List separately any companies to whom your application should not be sent. R. E. Harrison ref. D.1963, HAY-MSL Confidential Advertising, Union Chambers, 63 Temple Row, Birmingham B2 5NS.

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c.£10,000

Farley Health Products

Farley Health Products Limited, part of the Glaxo Group, is a successful company in the healthcare, foods and home medicines market, with many leading brand names.

The successful candidate will be a member of a small team responsible for assessing new packaging materials, compiling material specifications and combining technical requirements with commercial and marketing needs. Some travel will be necessary.

Candidates will be graduates or equivalent in a science or technological subject, ideally with membership of the Institute of Packaging and several years' experience in packaging within the food, pharmaceutical or related industries. An ability to work with the minimum of supervision and to communicate effectively with all levels is required.

Benefits include non-contributory pension and life assurance, participation in the Glaxo Group Bonus scheme, and relocation assistance to the head office location in Plymouth.

Please write or telephone for an application form to: Roger Adams, Employee Relations Officer, Farley Health Products Ltd., Torr Lane, Plymouth PL3 5UA. Tel: Plymouth (0752) 701621.

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DAIRY CREST

Dairy Crest Foods is the UK's leading Dairy Foods company with a turnover of £900m. per annum, marketing and distributing a wide range of branded and bulk products to customers in the consumer and industrial sectors.

We now have a vacancy for an Animal Feed Manager to take total marketing responsibility for a wide range of products supplied to the animal feed market. Specifically, these will include skimmed milk powder, spray whey powder, fat filled powder (animal feed), calf milk replacers, liquid skim and whey and lactose derivatives.

The key responsibility will be to formulate and implement marketing plans and to achieve sales and profit targets. Dealing both directly with the Animal Feed trade and through the Dairy Crest Foods Sales Agent, you will be required to improve our market share and penetration.

Ideally, you will be educated to degree level, in a Science or Agricultural discipline, aged 25 to 35 with up to five years' experience in the Animal Feed industry, preferably in a marketing role.

We offer an attractive salary, together with excellent benefits associated with a major organisation, including assistance with relocation expenses where appropriate. Travel within the UK will be required for which a company car is provided.

Please write with full personal and career details, including current salary, to Mrs. L. A. Buchanan, Personnel Officer, Dairy Crest Foods, Portsmouth Road, Thames Ditton, Surrey KT7 0EL.

Production Manager
SOUTH HAMPSHIRE: c.£14,000

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A highly profitable fast moving consumer goods brand leader in the UK, as well as worldwide, has significant expansion plans in progress.

The key tasks will be agreeing and achieving production schedules, managing and motivating the forces of both male and female workers through first line supervisors and developing effective two way communications.

Candidates should be 25 to 45, preferably graduates with either an engineering or work study qualification and at least two years' successful production management experience.

Location South Hampshire, excellent prospects, relocation assistance, etc.

Please write – in confidence – to David Dodd ref. D.17692, HAY-MSL Management Selection, 50 Queen Square, Bristol BS1 4LW.

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Glaxo

We are Glaxo Operations, part of the fast growing and highly successful Glaxo Group – Britain's leading pharmaceutical company. Our manufacturing site at Ware, Hertfordshire, employs some 1,000 people and provides an engineering service to our sister company, Glaxo Group Research, which employs over 800 people at the same location.

Due to promotion, we are now seeking an experienced Works Engineer to take responsibility for providing an exceptionally wide range of engineering services and project engineering support to the research operation, which is situated in a modern, purpose built laboratory complex. Although reporting to the Site Chief Engineer, you will operate as a key member of the research company's executive management team for all day-to-day engineering matters.

To succeed in this demanding role, you should be a chartered mechanical or electrical engineer with the proven ability to establish sound working relationships with senior colleagues and the leadership skills necessary to motivate a team of professional engineers and craftsmen. Project engineering expertise is desirable, as the research company will be significantly expanding its facilities over the next few years. Experience of manufacturing operations, gained within a process industry, would be a decided advantage.

The excellent compensation package includes profit sharing bonuses, non-contributory pension scheme, and generous assistance with relocation to this attractive part of rural Hertfordshire.

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As a senior member of a compact headquarters team, the appointed candidate will be involved in the full personnel and training function, including IR, with prime accountability for the recruitment of retail outlet management, advising on staff employment issues and operating parts of the training programme for new managers.

Candidates, aged mid 20's to early 30's, will be graduates with relevant broad-based personnel experience in either service, retail or manufacturing industry. The stature to produce results in a dynamic environment is essential.

The reward package is for discussion as indicated and comprehensive large company benefits include generous relocation help where appropriate. Excellent career prospects.

Please write – in confidence – stating how you meet our client's requirements – to A. D. Russell ref. D.78421, HAY-MSL Personnel, Union Chambers, 63 Temple Row, Birmingham B2 5NS.

Product Development Technologists ... Food
MANCHESTER AND KING'S LYNN: c.£10,000

Campbell's Soups

Campbell's Soups and Unger Meats, part of the profitable Campbell's UK organisation are currently enjoying an exciting period of significant planned product development.

Resulting from our on-going development plans for existing products, and the identification of new marketing opportunities, vacancies exist for innovative product development technologists.

Reporting to Product Development Managers, the people appointed will investigate and develop new products, and this will involve the assessment of ingredients, liaison with external suppliers, consumer testing and preparing ingredient specifications production methods.

Ideal candidates will hold a degree in Food Science, Food Technology or a related subject. Three years' product development experience within a professional food manufacturing environment is a definite must, as is the ability to work effectively with in-company departments and suppliers.

At King's Lynn, previous canning industry experience is required, whilst at Manchester, knowledge of meat processing is essential.

Competitive salary, relocation assistance and usual big company benefits are offered.

Please write with your own CV or telephone for an application form, to David Page, UK Personnel Director, Campbell's Soups Ltd., Hardwick Road, King's Lynn, Norfolk PE30 4HS. Tel: King's Lynn (0553) 775051.

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Please telephone or write for an application form, brochure and information to: Nigel Perks at Computing Devices Company Ltd., Castleham Road, St. Leonards on Sea, East Sussex TN38 7NJ. Tel: (0424) 53482.

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Mitsubishi Electric (UK) Limited, well established in the manufacture and marketing of an extensive range of electronic consumer products, has also responded to the increasing demand for specialised industrial products, and we are active in such fields as computer peripherals, telecommunications and automation equipment. We employ over 48,000 people worldwide and are a major international manufacturer of industrial control equipment, machine tools, robotics and energy management equipment.

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To provide full technical application support to users, system houses and key distributors for our "K Series" of Programmable Controllers. This will include the preparation and development of support programmes for new products including training schemes, demonstrations and associated literature.

Your engineering experience (minimum 2 years) should ideally have been gained with a PC manufacturer or control system engineering house, and you should be qualified to at least HNC level in Control Engineering or a related subject. The successful candidate is likely to be aged between 25 and 35.

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To represent Mitsubishi's industrial product capability at the highest level with major consultants and contractors involved in the design and specification of construction, manufacturing and process plant projects.

Aged over 30, you must have experience in dealing at a high level with technically competent specifying authorities for circuit protection, control and instrumentation equipment. Minimum qualifications required are an HNC or degree in Electrical or Mechanical Engineering, or the equivalent for plant and manufacturing processes.

The successful applicants will be offered a first class salary and an excellent range of benefits including Company Car, free BUPA cover and excellent pension arrangements.

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This is a senior position calling for proven leadership skills and an ability to liaise effectively with all levels of management. Applicants, male or female, should have a degree or equivalent in Electronics or Computer technology and at least 5 years experience in installation and maintenance of computer based systems.

In addition to a competitive salary we are offering a first class range of benefits, together with relocation assistance where appropriate.

Please write or telephone for an application form to John Wight, Employment Manager, Freepost, British Aerospace PLC, Dynamics Group, Manor Road, Hatfield, Herts, AL10 9BR. Telephone: Hatfield 62300 – Ext. 401.

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Geologist

To work in new ventures, prospect generation and field studies. Candidates should have a good Bachelors Degree and previous experience with an oil company as a member or leader of a project group, ideally exploring in the North Sea or the Far East.

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To work a) with the exploration team on the technical and economic evaluation of prospects and b) assist in the planning and implementation of development projects. Candidates should have a good Bachelors Degree and preferably a Masters Degree in Petroleum Reservoir Engineering and at least 2 years oil industry experience.

The remuneration package for each position will be competitive and there are good prospects for advancement both in Britain and abroad.

To apply, please write to Summit Management Consultants Limited, Cavendish Court, 11/15 Wigmore Street, London W1H 9LB or telephone 01-629 3532.

SMCL

Sales Manager for March Concrete

March Concrete, the Cambridgeshire based concrete pipe manufacturer, is expanding into new markets and introducing new technology through a major capital expenditure programme to increase production.

We are looking for a sales manager to co-ordinate and develop our growing market share throughout the U.K.

The successful applicant is likely to be a self-motivating 30/40 year old, with experience in the building and civil engineering industry, drainage and site experience an advantage.

We shall offer an attractive employment package, including car, and help with moving to the home counties if necessary. If you are interested in applying, please send full details of your background and career to date to:

The Managing Director,
March Concrete Products,
Estover Road, March,
Cambridgeshire PE15 8SG

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Manufacturing Manager
LABOUR INTENSIVE ASSEMBLIES
North West — Circa £15,000 + Car

This is a key appointment as ongoing manufacturing efficiency is critical to the continued profitability of this high volume business. The company, an autonomous subsidiary employing 1300, has achieved impressive growth in recent years. They are confident that this record will be maintained through their planned product development programme.

Responsibility is to the Manufacturing Director for the manufacturing, production services, quality, plant maintenance, purchasing and personnel functions. Candidates must demonstrate several years successful management of change in a labour intensive, high volume assembly environment. Professionally qualified applicants must have the ability to contribute positively to the general management of the business.

Career prospects are excellent and the attractive remuneration package will be supplemented by relocation expenses, where applicable.

For a confidential application form male or female candidates should ring or write quoting Ref. 750/DL.
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Area Sales Managers
based London/Home Counties and Manchester package c.£26,000
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Your overall responsibility is to lead your team, developing and implementing corporate marketing strategy. This critical appointment will suit a dynamic, creative, shirt-sleeves marketing professional, suitably qualified with man-management experience. A background marketing business services would be ideal though not essential. You must be able to demonstrate a progressive track record employing sophisticated and up-to-date marketing techniques. Ref: SS73/0367/DT.

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Experience working in the sophisticated environment of computer databases and networking would be advantageous. Ref: SS73/0368/DT.

Sales Executives
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For those without man-management experience, your brief is to achieve challenging sales targets by developing business with new and existing customers. You must have an outstanding sales track record, ideally in a service industry. Initiative, sound business acumen and ambition are essential. Ref: SS73/0369/DT.
To apply, please send cv or telephone or write for an application form, quoting the appropriate reference, to Stephen Newman, PA Sales Selection, Hyde Park House, 60a Knightsbridge, London SW1X 7LE. Tel: 01-235 6060 ext 239/289.

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Brazil

To join a management team of the successful Brazilian subsidiary of a major UK group, which designs and manufactures a range of controls and industrial products for the Brazilian market.
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Reporting to the Managing Director, the prime responsibility would be for the technical development of the company and the precise role will depend upon the particular strengths of the applicant.
The company view this appointment as a developing role and as such would be prepared initially to consider the appointment on either a short-term or *permanent basis.*
Salary and benefits are those you would associate with a forward looking organisation.

Please send full cv which will be forwarded to our client unopened. (Address to our Security Manager if listing companies to which it should not be sent.)
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Cheshire
to £17,000 + car

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Please send full cv, including current salary, or telephone or write for an application form to Alan Gibbons, Ref: TE79/9245/DT, PA Personnel Services, 73-79 King Street, Manchester M2 2JL. Tel: 061-236 4531.

Field Sales Manager

London & Home Counties
£15,000+ plus car

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The basic salary will be £10,500 per annum with on-target earnings of £15,200. There is no upper earnings limit.
If you have a minimum of four years' successful sales experience, and have managed a small sales team *or feel you are ready for your first sales management* opportunity, please telephone Maureen Beeven on 01-650 4818 NOW! Alternatively, please send full career details to: Twinlock plc, 36 Croydon Road, Beckenham, Kent.

Retail Sales Executive

Surrey, Hants and Berks
c.£13,500 + car + benefits

heuga

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This demanding position requires a totally committed business all-rounder, used to working autonomously, and having the discipline and training of one of the UK's leading blue-chip fmcg or consumer-durable companies. The successful candidate will be aged 25-35; located on-territory, and able to demonstrate selling ability together with a successful career to date.
This is an excellent opportunity for a well-educated, ambitious achiever with a professional outlook and the determination to succeed in a challenging environment.
For an application form, telephone or write to Miss J Freeman, Heuga UK Limited, Heuga House, 1 Oxford Road, Aylesbury, Bucks HP19 3EP. Tel: 0296-33244.

Personnel Professional

Birmingham
c.£13,000

HP

HP Foods Limited

HP Foods Limited, a member of the Imperial Group, successfully markets some of the best known brands in the food industry. Most recently we have invested heavily in complex new plant and the very latest bottling and packaging technology at our *Aston Cross site in Birmingham.*
Due to internal promotion we are now seeking to appoint a Personnel Manager with the experience and ability to assume responsibility for all aspects of Personnel and Employee Relations at this crucial stage in the site's development.
Reporting to the Factory Manager your brief will be to provide a comprehensive personnel service including *training and development,* resourcing, employee relations, bargaining issues and welfare in this rapidly evolving environment.
Aged ideally in your early 30s, you will already have established yourself as a person capable of developing attitudes and smoothing the introduction of new technology.
Personal attributes must incorporate a firm but tactful approach, well developed leadership and man-*management skills and the ability to look beyond* short term issues. An articulate and able communicator, you must be capable of making an early and significant input to this very interesting and challenging role.
Relocation assistance will be given where necessary.

Please write or telephone for an application form to: Mr P Harwood, Resourcing and Development Manager, HP Foods Limited, Edinburgh House, Abbey Street, Market Harborough, Leicestershire LE16 9BG. Tel: (0858) 64771.

O&M/Business Analyst

West Yorkshire
c.£12,000

Our client, a successful well-known manufacturing company with a turnover of £20m+, is located in an attractive part of West Yorkshire. A management services professional is required to undertake a wide variety of assignments aimed at improving operating efficiency in all areas of the business. Candidates ideally should be aged over 25, possess a range of skills — including exposure to DP techniques — so that they can quickly grasp business problems and work successfully with line managers to implement practical cost-effective solutions in such areas as manufacturing, distribution and administration.
The most relevant experience is likely to have been gained in a profit-oriented organisation, large enough to have offered a variety of assignments, preferably *working independently or as a part of a very small* team. The position gives an outstanding opportunity to make a positive contribution to company performance and will offer a stepping stone into line management within the group in the medium term.

Please send full career details, together with current salary, or apply for an application form to Alan Gibbons, Ref: MV79/9240/DT, PA Personnel Services, 73-79 King Street, Manchester M2 2JL. Tel: 061-236 4531.

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The successful applicants will probably be aged below 30, with degree level qualifications: at least one year's experience in the procurement field (preferably associated with high volume manufacture of precision engineering products); high personal *motivation and excellent commercial acumen.*
Starting salary will be within the range £7,500-£10,000, with further salary potential based on merit. Generous relocation assistance will be given where appropriate.
Please write with full details to: R J Kelly, Staff Employee Relations Manager, Perkins Engines Company, Frank Perkins Way, Peterborough PE1 5NA.

General Manager

Malawi Railways Ltd

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The General Manager is responsible for the efficient operation of goods and passenger railway and lake services in Malawi and also for co-operating with Mozambique Railway counterparts in traffic movements in both countries.
The successful applicant will report to the Board of Directors and is responsible to Government for policy, senior appointments and finance together with the day-to-day running of the department.
Candidates, aged 50-63, should be British citizens, and possess an Honours degree in engineering, or similar, or a comparable qualification in finance.
In addition, several years' senior management *experience in a recognised railway and possession* of specialised knowledge in one department (ideally engineering, finance or traffic) combined with a working knowledge of all other departments, is desirable.
An ability to speak Portuguese and membership of MCIT are also desirable.
The appointment is on contract to the Government of Malawi for a period of two years. Local salary K15000 pa, plus a tax free supplement, payable by ODA, in the range £16812 to £24420 pa. Other benefits *include free passages, children's education* — allowances and subsidised accommodation.
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Sport ... ON 4 PAGES

CUP DISTANCE IS SUITABLE FOR HALF FREE

By HOTSPUR (Peter Scott)

HALF FREE, one of four defeated Cheltenham Gold Cup runners seeking some consolation in today's Whitbread Gold Label Cup at Liverpool, is fancied to reverse Cheltenham form with Earls Brig, while confirming it against Combs Ditch and Wayward Lad.

Half Free had made his reputation at distances around two *and a half miles before tackling* the Gold Cup. Three and a quarter miles there proved just *beyond him*, but today's race is a furlong less, and there is no uphill finish.

Earls Brig stayed on *strongly* towards the end of the Gold Cup, taking third place behind Forgive 'n' Forget and Righthand Man.

Half Free and Combs Ditch, who both looked very dangerous two fences from home, finished fifth and seventh with Wayward Lad eighth.

Combs Ditch, short-headed by Burrough Hill Lad *in* the King George VI 'Chase at Kempton Park on Boxing Day, has sometimes been troubled by oxygen deficiency. This did not affect him at Cheltenham, *where he*, like Half Free, probably found the distance just too far.

Wayward Lad *was never* a factor in the Gold Cup. His run of disappointments this season *has led to an ownership decision* that John Francome will replace Robert Earnshaw this afternoon.

Francome's only previous ride on Wayward Lad was when winning the 1983 King George VI 'Chase, but Wayward Lad's once large band of supporters has been *steadily dwindling*.

Kesslin is napped for the Whitbread Best Scotch Novices' Hurdle. He ran the *brilliant* Harry Hastings to four lengths in Cheltenham's Waterford Crystal Supreme Novices' Hurdle and would have been still closer but for a mistake at the last.

Beau Ranger, my selection for the Chesters Handicap 'Chase, ran up a sequence of six wins before his mid-season rest. He may not have been fully fit again when reappearing at Cheltenham.

Chrysaor, like Beau Ranger, ran at Cheltenham after being off the course since *December*. He made no show in the Coral Golden Hurdle Final, but *looks* worth another chance in the Whitbread Pale Ale Hurdle.

Fortina's Express, Daltmore and Poyntz Pass are Grand National acceptors tackling the big-race fences in today's Whitbread Trophy. I prefer the grey Smith's Man, so much improved *this season*.

Rhyme 'n' Reason, beaten only three lengths by the subsequent Cheltenham Gold Cup fourth, Drumadowney, in a novices' 'chase at Ascot the previous month, made several jumping mistakes in Cheltenham's Sun Alliance 'Chase.

The Whitbread Best Mild 'Chase gives Rhyme 'n' Reason a chance to redeem himself, but no recent excuses need to be made for the progressive Newlife Connection.

Graham Bradley, Rhyme 'n' Reason's jockey, *will replace the* injured Neale Doughty on last year's winner Hallo Dandy in the *Grand National on Saturday*. Straight Accord, injured at exercise yesterday, will miss the big race.

Bradley hopes to join that select band who have ridden both *Grand National and Cheltenham* Gold Cup winners. He was Bregawn's Cheltenham jockey in *1983 when Michael Dickinson* runners filled the first five places.

Bradley, seventh in his first *Grand National* ride *on Political* Pop two years ago, had a fall at the Chair fence with Ashley House *in 1984. He will sit on* Hallo Dandy for the first time at exercise this morning.

Forgive 'n' Forget, the Cheltenham Gold Cup winner, is rated *12lb behind the withdrawn* Gold Cup favourite, Burrough Hill Lad, in weights just published *for Sandown Park's Whitbread* Gold Cup but neither will run on April 27.

TODAY'S LIVERPOOL SELECTIONS

HOTSPUR	COURSE CORR.	FORM
2. 0—Kesslin (nap)		2. 0—Kesslin (nap)
2.35—Half Free	2.35—Combs Ditch	2.35—Earls Brig
3.10—Chrysaor	3.10—INDAMELODY (nap)	3.10—Dodgy Future
3.45—Smith's Man	3.45—Fortina's Express	3.45—Kilkilowen
4.20—Newlife Connection		4.20—Rhyme N'Reason
4.50—Beau Ranger	4.50—Stand Back	4.50—Direct Line

HOTSPUR'S DOUBLE.—Kesslin and Beau Ranger.
TONY STAFFORD.—King Spruce (3.45).

Big-race field

'National' card and jockeys

LIVERPOOL SATURDAY

3.20: SEAGRAM GRAND NATIONAL H'CAP 'CH Penalty Value £54,485 4½m

1 441 Corbiere (CD), Mrs J. Pitman, 10 11-10 ... B. Sheridan
2 413 Drumlargan, E. O'Grady, Ireland, 11 11-8 ... J. Francome
3 041 Straight Accord, T. Watson, 10 11-0 ... Non-runner
4 332 Greasepaint, D. Weld, Ireland, 10 10-13 ... T. Carmody
5 213 Lucky Vane, G. Balding, 10 10-13 ... J. Burke
6 410 Hallo Dandy (CD) (BF), G. W. Richards, 11 10-12 ... G. Bradley
7 430 Broomy Bank, J. Edwards, 10 10-7 ... Mr A. J. Wilson
8 001 Fethard Friend, J. Edwards, 10 10-7 ... P. Barton
9 113 Clareford (BF), N. Henderson, 9 10-7 ... P. Croucher
10 240 Tacroy, M. Mason, 11 10-5 ... A. Stringer
11 12P Last Suspect (BF), T. Forster, 11 10-5 ... H. Davies
12 400 Scot Lane, M. Tate, 12 10-1 ... C. Smith
13 111 West Tip, M. Oliver, 8 10-1 ... R. Dunwoody
14 432 Fortina's Express, Stephenson, 11 10-1 ... R. Lamb
15 100 Kumbi, D. McCain, 10 10-0 ... K. Doolan
16 034 Daltmore, N. Meade, Ireland, 7 10-0 ... P. Leech
17 0PO Mossy Moore, F. Winter, 9 10-0 ... Mr S. Sherwood
18 030 Dudie, P. Mullins, Ireland, 7 10-0 ... A. Mullins
19 403 Rupertino, E. H. Owen Jnr., 10 10-0 ... R. Strange
20 0PO Imperial Black, N. Crump, 9 10-0 ... C. Hawkins
21 3FO Shady Deal, J. Gifford, 12 10-0 ... R. Rowe
22 24F Poyntz Pass, R. Fisher, 10 10-0 ... M. Meagher
23 000 Tubberlelly, M. Hourigan, Ireland, 8 10-0 ...
24 432 The Drunken Duck, G. Richards, 12 10-0 ... D. Coakley
25 143 Talon, R. Armytage, 10 10-0 ... A. Webber
26 004 Onapromise, Denys Smith, 9 10-0 ... A. Brown
27 240 Knockawad, M. Hourigan, Ireland, 8 10-0 ... K. F. O'Brien
28 330 Blackrath Prince, G. Balding, 9 10-0 ... R. Reilly
29 005 Hill Of Slane, A. Jarvis, 9 10-0 ... S. Smith Eccles
30 400 Royal Appointment, T. Carberry, Ireland, 10 10-0 ... F. Gill
31 000 Solihull Sport, J. Spearing, 11 10-0 ... S. Morshead
32 014 Ceolbhurtin, A. Moore, Ireland, 11 10-0 ... Mr T. Thomson Jones
33 -00 Fauloon (C), F. Walwyn, 10 10-0 ... K. Mooney
34 220 Bashful Lad, M. Oliver, 10 10-0 ... G. McCourt
35 200 Cross, J. Fox, 10 10-0 ... S. Moore
36 111 Mr Snugfit, M. W. Easterby, 8 10-0 ... P. Tuck
37 244 Glenfox, S. Mellor, 8 10-0 ... —
38 -00 Never Tamper, J. Baker, 10 10-0 ... C. Brown
39 0PO Roman Bistro, J. Gifford, 9 10-0 ... P. Nicholls
40 PP2 Captain Parkhill, R. Mccain, 12 10-0 ... C. Grant
41 030 Leney Dual, D. Pitcher, 10 10-0 ... Mr D. Pitcher
42 4FO Our Cloud, S. Shields, Ireland, 9 10-0 ...
43 13F Three Chances, R. Champion, 6 10-0 ...
44 10P Immigrate (BF), G. Richards, 12 10-0 ...
45 21P Greenhill Hall (BF), C. Thornton, 9 10-0 ...
46 F21 Northern Bay (BF), T. Bill, 9 10-0 ...
47 343 Rockin Berry, Mrs M. Evans, 10 10-0 ...
48 4P2 Oakprime, D. Pitcher, 10 10-0 ...

Latest betting: 7 Greasepaint, West Tip, Corbiere, 8 Lucky Vane, 12 Drumlargan, Hallo Dandy, 16 Mr Snugfit, 20 and upward others.
1984: Hallo Dandy 10 10-2, N. Doughty, 13-1, G. Richards, 40 ran.



Combs Ditch (Colin Brown), Course Correspondent's selection for today's Whitbread Gold Label Cup 'Chase at Liverpool.

Course Notes & Hints

Indamelody is Best

By OUR COURSE CORRESPONDENT

INDAMELODY* may show the benefit of a light campaign this season by landing the Whitbread Pale Ale Handicap Hurdle (3.10) at Liverpool today.

Nick Henderson's gelding returned from a 19-month lay-off to win by 10 lengths over two miles at Kempton Park in November, and has shown good form in four subsequent starts.

He may have found Cheltenham's three miles and a furlong too far when fourth to Von Trappe in the Coral Golden Hurdle Final *last* time but still beat 23 other finishers in that competitive event and looks well-handicapped here with 10st 2lb.

Combs Ditch, favourite when seventh to Forgive 'N Forget in the Cheltenham Gold Cup, is expected to make amends in the Whitbread Gold Label Cup 'Chase (2.35).

David Elsworth's nine-year-old seemed to be produced too early at Cheltenham and found little from the second-last fence. He may reverse placings with Earls Brig (third) and Half Free (fifth) if ridden with more restraint today.

Double chance

Arthur Stephenson, the Bishop Auckland trainer, has bright prospects of a double with *Fortina's Express* (Whitbread Trophy Handicap 'Chase, 3.45) and Stand Back (Chesters Handicap 'Chase, 4.50).

Fortina's Express had a tough assignment when a 10-length second to Earls Brig in Haydock Park's Greenall Whitley Handicap 'Chase last time. He completed the course in the corresponding race last year.

U.S. DATE FOR PAUL WEBBER

By TONY STAFFORD

WHILE the racing interest at the weekend is firmly on Liverpool, Paul Webber, the former *champion amateur rider*, will be making his first acquaintance with timber obstacles in the United States.

Webber, who joined the Curragh Bloodstock Agency last autumn after two years as assistant trainer to Jeremy Hindley, *leaves today for a weekend ride* on Priest's Rock in a point-to-point near Unionville in Pennsylvania.

This is the first of three trips which *Webber hopes to* make in the next month, culminating in a challenge for the historic Maryland Hunt Cup on the last Saturday in April.

Priest's Rock was bought by Webber's father, John, a few seasons ago on behalf of Peter *Thompson, a Baltimore banker.* "He won a couple of races, but then lost his enthusiasm, so we *hunted him and when he went* very well in the hunting field, his owner decided to try him over timber in the States," said Paul Webber last night.

January visit

Timber racing is confined to the area around *Maryland* and Webber spent three weeks there in January, where he was joined by Diana Clapham, who was a member of Britain's three-day event team which won a silver medal at the Los Angeles Olympics, and acted as Webber's advisor. "I did quite a lot of schooling on Priest's Rock them, and he certainly adapted very well," said Webber.

Should he win on Saturday, Priest's Rock will turn out again *in* two weeks' time for his final trial before going for the big race. Few English riders have *completed the Maryland Hunt* Cup course, and the first was the intrepid Brod Munro-Wilson, was *finished fourth in 1979 on* Cancottage.

Munro-Wilson then sold the horse to *Mrs Miles Valentine*, and Cancottage won the next three runnings to equal the record for the race held by the Aintree Grand National winner Jay Trump.

Two of Cancottage's Maryland Hunt Cup victories were shared by *Mrs Joy Carrier*, Mrs Valentine's granddaughter, who rides her husband's Rusty's King Spruce *in today's Whitbread* Trophy over the Aintree fences.

Munro-Wilson will be doubly *represented in Saturday's* Seagram Grand National. Paul Webber's brother Anthony rides the 25-1 chance *Talon* and Denis Coakley partners The Drunken Duck.

A proposed leasing arrangement between Munro-Wilson and Desmond Lynam, who will front the B B C's television coverage on Saturday, fell through yesterday when it was learnt that Mr Lynam's ownership registration could not be completed before Monday.

CONNORTON REPLACES GILBERT

By HOWARD WRIGHT

BRIAN CONNORTON, the former Northern-based *Flat jockey, is to* become chief instructor at the British Racing School in Newmarket when Johnnie Gilbert retires next month.

Gilbert, 65 in July, has been associated with the Levy Board-backed scheme, which runs courses for potential stable staff aged 16 and 17 years, since it *was formally* established in 1973.

The school was first sited at Stoneleigh, *before being moved* to Goodwood two years later. The purpose-built *complex* at Newmarket was opened *in* 1983.

Jimmy Bleasdale, Steve Dawson and Connorton's son Nicky are among those who were taught by Gilbert, who said last night: "We have sent out 650 boys and girls into racing stables, and 250 of them have ridden in races."

Ideal successor

Gilbert, whose son Andrew is leaving *his* job as assistant instructor to set up a livery business at Sudbury in Suffolk, will stay on to tend the school grounds.

"I shall still be around the *place and* will give Brian Connorton any help he wants," he said. "I'm sure he will be an *ideal* man to hand over to, because he has had a lot of experience in Singapore."

Connorton, 49, who will be returning to the *town* in which he was born, has directed apprentice courses for the Singapore Turf authorities for the last three years. He was forced to quit riding in August 1976, after sustaining a leg injury the previous year, and worked as a representative for an animal foodstuffs company before going to Singapore.

COURSE SPECIALISTS

LIVERPOOL

Course winners: 2.35 (3m 1f 'ch): Royal Bond (3m 1f 'ch), Wayward Lad (2m 5½f 'ch). 3.10 (2m 5½f hdle): Afzal (2m hdle). 3.45 (2¾m 'ch): Beacon Time (2¾m 'ch). 4.50 (2½m 'ch): Gambling Prince (2½m 'ch), King or Country (2½m 'ch three times).

Leading Jockeys (since Aug. 1979): J. O'Neill 5, Scudamore 5, A. Brown 3, P. A. Charlton 3, H. Davies 3, Morshead 3, Beggan 3.

Trainers: In Ireland 15, F. Walwyn 9, M. H. Easterby 8, G. Richards 6, Mellor 3, Nicholson 3.

TAUNTON

Course winners: 2.15 (2m 1f hdle): Major Mark (2m 1f hdle). 2.50 (2m 1f hdle): Blackboosh (2m 1f hdle). 3.25 (3m 1f 'ch): Blue Beans (3m 1f 'ch). 4.00 (2m 3f 'ch): Crowning Moment (2m 3f hdle), Spanish God (2m 3f hdle twice). 4.35 (2m 1f hdle): Lillie (2m 3f hdle). 5.05 (2m 1f 'ch): Bickleigh Bridge (2m 3f hdle), The County Stone (2m hdle twice), Lucky Chris (2m hdle), Miss Abwah (2m 3f 'ch), Black Earl (2m hdle).

Leading Jockeys (since Aug. 1979): Francome 16, Barton 11, C. Brown 11, Philip Hobbs 10, Leach 10.

Trainers: Kennard 20, Pipe 16, Stephens 12, Hodges 11, Thorne 11.

Boat Race—April 6 (2.45 p.m.)

Bitter wind keeps Garrett sidelined

By GEOFFREY PAGE

A BITTER north-easterly wind was sufficient to prevent John Garrett resuming his place at seven in the Cambridge crew yesterday, and the Old Blue, Ewan Pearson, again deputised for him.

Oxford were first out but went only as far as Chiswick Steps, and the sole work attempted were some practice starts at about 38 which were a little rough, but quite effective.

Cambridge were out with Barclays Bank, whose boathouse provides their Putney headquarters. They came back *from Chiswick in bursts of 20* or 30 strokes, all at about 30 strokes per minute.

They were out again with the Bank in the afternoon, when conditions were distinctly unpleasant. In three short rows, Cambridge were well on top again and showed good style in the rough water.

Oxford ahead

The main graft of the day, however, came from Oxford, who rowed two four-minute pieces with Thames from the bottom of Chiswick Eyot, where the water was calmer than in the Putney Reach.

In the first, Thames, with the advantage of the bend, held Oxford for two minutes before *the University gradually* drew away, to stop one-and-a-third lengths ahead. The crews then paddled back and changed stations.

In the second row, both crews went off at 41 and were level after a minute. Oxford then pulled out a lead of half-a-length, but did not get clear until after three-and-a-half minutes, to finish just over one-and-a-half lengths ahead.

Today's outings: Oxford 10 & 4; Cambridge 10 & 3.

OXFORD.—G. J. Cartledge (Hampton/New College) bow, C. L. Richmond (St Edward's/Christ Church), B. M. Philp (Bryanston/Downing & Worcester), A. M. S. Thomas (Winchester/Pembroke), P. M. Hare (St Albans/Balliol), G. R. D. Jones (Sydney Univ/New), W. J. Lang (Wa'erford/Magdalen), F. M. Reininger (Pennsylvania Univ/University) stroke, S. R. Lesser (Princeton Univ/Magdalen) cox.

CAMBRIDGE.—J. S. Witter (Pangbourne/St Catharine's) bow, M. L. Pasternak (Bradford GS/Magdalene), J. D. Hughes (Bedford Modern/Downing), P. R. Broughton (Southampton Univ/Magdalene), S. M. Peel (King's Chester/Downing), G. A. Barnard (Lakefield Coll School, Canada/Robinson), J. L. Garret (Shrewsbury/St John's), J. M. Pritchard (St Clement Danes/Robinson) stroke, H. L. Shaw (Harrogate/St John's) cox.

DEADLINE SET ON DRUGS

By PAT BESFORD

THE level of drug-taking in British sport and how to eliminate this unhealthy and unsporting practice world-wide, were made the major topics at a Sports Council seminar in London yesterday.

Sir Arthur Gold, president of the European Athletics Association and a leading *anti-drug* campaigner, said the usage figure at the top level of his sport was around 50 per cent., substantiating the view of Olympic decathlon champion, Daley Thompson.

The Council has already spent £500,000 on testing in the past six years. It now plans to hit sports which drag their feet, where it hurts—in their pockets.

Governing bodies have been given until June to submit their anti-doping programmes or risk losing cash grants and/or the use of national centre facilities.

Poor response

To date only 25 sports, represented by 3,700 examinations, have taken up the Council's offer of tests at a cost of £24 a time.

Of these the participation of fencing, rugby, shooting and squash rackets has been negligible while cricket and lawn tennis have not joined in at all.

Paul Hutchins, national lawn tennis team manager, said: "We *have not been involved so far* because there's been no drug trouble—yet. I expect we will *now introduce measures.*"

NORTHERN CORRESPONDENT

LIVERPOOL: 2.0 Ten of Spades; 2.35 Half Free (nap); 3.10 Afzal; 3.45 Fortina's Express; 4.20 Rhyme 'n' Reason; 4.50 Direct Line.

STATE OF GOING

Advance official going for tomorrow's meetings: Liverpool, "good"; Devon & Exeter, "heavy."

TAUNTON CARD AND JOCKEYS

SELECTIONS

HOTSPUR	FORM
2.15—Major Mark	2.15—Imperial Champagne
2.50—Purple	2.50—Lift High
3.25—Hill Express	3.25—Dart Over
4. 0—Gragara Lad	4. 0—Ballycarn
4.35—Mighty Steel	4.35—Lillie
5. 5—Doonally	5. 5—Lucky Chris

Advance Official Going: HEAVY

2.15: PITMINSTER NOVICES' HURDLE (Div. I) Penalty Value £693 2m 1f (17 declared)

3 104 Major Mark (CD), W. G. M. Turner, 4 11-7 ... C. Warren (7)
5 504/ Asmid, J. Old, 6 11-3 ... P. Murphy
6 4 Even Banker, O. Sherwood, 6 11-3 C. Cox (7)
9 2303 Imperial Champagne, J. Thorne, 5 11-3 ... P. Dever
10 P0 It's For You, W. Reed, 5 11-3 Philip Hobbs
11 0/FPP Jimmy Flint, R. Dunn, 9 11-3 Mr N. Dunn (4)
14 F00- Purple Blaze, J. Bradley, 7 11-3 ... G. Davies
16 U0 Tophatter, R. Hodges, 5 11-3 ... C. Gray
17 P0-03 Vivre Pour Vivre, J. Baker, 5 11-3 ... —
19 031000 Carado (BL), M. Pipe, 4 11-2 ... P. Nicholls
23 ... Indian Cash, P. Duggins, 11 10-12 ... N. Coleman (4)
25 0-00 Rosezel (BL), Mrs E. Kennard, 6 10-12 ... S. McNeill
28 P0 Air Flight, L. Kennard, 4 10-11 ... B. Powell
29 3 Aletis, Mrs A. Finch, 4 10-11 ... A. Sharpe
30 040 Beldaine, P. Hedger, 4 10-11 ... M. Richards
35 003030 Should Never Be, J. Jenkins, 4 10-11 F. Leavy
41 Hot Melody, R. Frost, 4 10-6 ... J. Frost

S.P. FORECAST: 3 Should Never Be, 7-2 Imperial Champagne, 4 Major Mark, 5 Carado, 6 Even Banker, Aletis, 10 Vivre Pour Vivre, 16 others.

2.50: CROWCOMBE SELLING HANDICAP HURDLE £540 2m 1f (19)

1 00030P Tell Us Another, D. A. Wilson, 6 12-2 ... R. Arnott (4)
3 0B-0010 Beaming Lass (BL) (D), (—), 6 11-5 ... —
4 40001 Alex Choice, Mrs H. Bevan, 6 11-5 C. Smith
8 10-00F3 Blackboosh (CD), J. Bosley, 6 11-0 ... Mr M. Bosley (7)
10 0PP-0P0 No Sale (BL), C. Popham, 6 10-8 ... N. Coleman (4)
13 000 Purple, F. Jordan, 4 10-6 ... R. Hyett
14 400-004 Song Boy, R. Hodges, 6 10-4 ... C. Gray
15 440042 Lift High, D. Tucker, 6 10-3 ... S. McNeill
16 00004 Worth Matravers (BL), J. Old, 5 10-3 ... —
18 00003P Irish Corn, D. Carey, 5 10-2 Lorna Vincent
19 0052 Super Dip (BF), R. Hoad, 4 10-2 M. Hoad (7)
21 030 Lee Dancer, D. Jermy, 6 10-2 ... C. Old
22 0U00F0 Warwick Blue (BL), L. Kennard, 5 10-1 ... B. Powell
23 3300/P-B Lotus Dancer, R. Howe, 6 10-1 M. Furlong
24 P0-0P00 Roberts Girl, R. Hodges, 5 10-0 S. Earle (7)
25 00/00P-F Soldier On, J. Payne, 6 10-0 ... P. Richards
26 400 Rum River, J. Cosgrave, 5 10-0 ... P. Dever
28 000P0 Stafford, R. Pocock, 5 10-0 M. Nuttall (4)
32 0-P0044 Drum Maker, B. Forsey, 5 10-0 P. Croucher (4)

S.P. FORECAST: 4 Purple, 5 Lift High, 6 Alex Choice, 7 Song Boy, Super Dip, 8 Blackboosh, 9 Beaming Lass, 10 Worth Matravers, 12 Tell Us Another, 14 others.

3.25: COLONEL & MRS C. T. MITFORD SLADE CHALLENGE TROPHY HUNTERS' 'CHASE (Amateur riders) £890 3m 1f (11)

1 00002-0 Dancing Brig, T. Clay, 14 13-8 T. Clay (7)
3 PP1-PUP Blue Beans (CD), B. Rendell, 10 12-7 ... Miss M. Brear (7)
6 F-P22 Dart Over, P. Pocock, 9 12-0 ... Miss L. Pocock (7)
7 F/ Golden Jest, Mrs A. Cole, 11 12-0 ... S. Andrews (4)
8 Hill Express, J. Lane, 7 12-0 ... Mrs R. Vickery (7)
9 S-Lone Streak, R. Shepherd, 8 12-0 ... M. Smallman (7)
10 00400/F- Mustard, Mrs V. Browne, 11 12-0 ... A. Rawlins (7)
12 P440/PP Tebran Prince, I. King, 9 12-0 A. Walter (4)
13 0UF-Travlaid, A. Corfield, 9 12-0 H. Wheeler (7)
15 0000F-P Coronetta, Mrs C. Taylor, 11 11-9 ... W. Taylor (7)
18 F/P0 Rival Attraction, R. Frost, 9 11-9 ... Miss K. Ellis (7)

S.P. FORECAST: 2 Dart Over, 7-2 Hill Express, 4 Golden Jest, 5 Lone Streak, 7 Dancing Brig, 8 Mustard, 14 others.

4.0: THURLOXTON HANDICAP 'CHASE £1,559 2m 3f (14)

7 130220 Netherbridge, D. Gandolfo, 7 11-7 ... M. Harrington
8 3F413B Ballycarn, L. Kennard, 10 11-5 ... B. Powell
11 P02P00 Crowning Moment (C) (BL), L. Wardle, 10 11-2 ... P. Croucher (4)
12 110-F43 Gragara Lad, R. Hodges, 10 11-1 Peter Hobbs
13 002P03 Spanish God (C), C. Popham, 10 11-1 ... N. Coleman (4)
15 2P3-PPP Belcanside, J. Brookes, 8 11-0 Philip Hobbs
17 PFPUP-0 Flooby's Pal (BL), R. Hickman, 8 10-12 ... J. Bryan
18 4141P4 River Warrior, J. Bradley, 7 10-11 G. Davies
22 040030 Quite Hot (BL), N. Ayliffe, 6 10-7 M. Ayliffe
23 0/F-0200 Posto, R. Pocock, 9 10-0 ... P. Richards
24 FP00F0 Prince Buskins, F. Gorman, 10 10-0 ... L. Bloomfield (4)
25 00PPP0 Dan Dare, O. Henley, 10 10-0 R. Goldstein
27 0000-30 Tarquin Queen, Mrs E. Scott, 8 10-0 J. Frost
29 F-00F0P Sauce Ro, C. Popham, 7 10-0 ... —

S.P. FORECAST: 5-2 Gragara Lad, 3 Ballycarn, 7-2 Netherbridge, 4 River Warrior, 8 Spanish God, 10 Crowning Moment, 16 others.

4.35: PITMINSTER NOVICES' HURDLE (Div. II) £701 2m 1f (17)

4 00 Aberration, *M. McCormack*, 5 11-3 J. Nolan
6 0000 Fuego Boy, D. Barons, 5 11-3 ... G. Newman
7 340P-00 Inca Thief, S. May, 6 11-3 ... S. May
9 033330 Mighty Steel, N. Lee-Judson, 5 11-3 C. Smith
12 0- Rugged Spirit, R. Frost, 5 11-3 ... J. Frost
15 0 The Bonderizer, J. Honeyball, 5 11-3 ... Peter Hobbs
18 P- Celtic Saga, L. Kennard, 5 10-12 B. Powell
19 P-0P023 Cervanie Sovereign, J. D. Roberts, 6 10-12 ... R. Millman
21 PPP Crusty Pie, D. Henley, 7 10-12 W. Elderfield (4)
22 0PU-104 Lillie (BL) (C), B. Forsey, 6 10-12 ... P. Croucher (4)
25 00 Mizzie Lizzie, J. Bosley, 7 10-12 ... Mr M. Bosley (7)
28 P0 Thistle Bine, A. Barrow, 5 10-12 ... R. Hoare
30 0F0 Dertana, W. G. M. Turner, 4 10-11 A. Sharpe
33 Non-Smoker, D. Elsworth, 4 10-11 ... R. Arnott (4)
35 P Rock Park, C. Hill, 4 10-11 ... P. Dever
37 RP Sylpora (BL), B. Stevens, 4 10-11 J. H. Davies
42 P0 Streaking Lady, C. Popham, 4 10-6 ... N. Coleman (4)

S.P. FORECAST: 7-2 Fuego Boy, 4 Mighty Steel, 5 Cervanie Sovereign, 6 Lillie, 8 Rugged Spirit, Non-Smoker, 10 Aberration, 12 Inca Thief, 16 others.

***5.5: WEST MONKTON HANDICAP 'CHASE* £2,134 2m 1f (7)**

3 021PP4 Bickleigh Bridge (D) (C), J. D. Roberts, 11 11-7 ... P. Croucher (4)
4 21-0F00 The County Stone (C), J. Thorne, 8 11-7 ... P. Dever
5 11/331-F Doonally, R. Hodges, 9 11-5 ... Peter Hobbs
8 0P0230 Tudor Road, L. Kennard, 10 11-0 B. Powell
9 413/F12 Lucky Chris (C), W. G. M. Turner, 10 10-12 ... A. Sharpe
15 F10FF0 Miss Abwah (C), D. D. Scott, 6 10-0 J. Frost
16 00400F Black Earl (C), I. Wardle, 8 10-0 ... —

S.P. FORECAST: 9-4 Lucky Chris, 3 Doonally, 9-2 Tudor Road, 6 The County Stone, 7 Bickleigh Bridge, 12 Black Earl, Miss Abwah.

HOTSPUR'S "TWELVE"

Wayward Lad (2.35, Liverpool) is the only horse listed in Hotspur's Twelve to Follow engaged today.

NEWMARKET SELECTIONS

LIVERPOOL—3.45, King Spruce.

Liverpool runners, riders and form guide

STEWARDS: Lord Derby, Lord Leverhulme, Lord Grimthorpe, Mr J. Wilson, Major D. Fetherstonhaugh, Mr J. Barlow.
Advance Official Going: GOOD

2.0 (Jackpot Prefix 1): WHITBREAD BEST SCOTCH NOVICES' HURDLE Penalty Value £4,753 2m (18 declared)

1 3110 TEN OF SPADES (D) (W. Whitbread), S. Mellor, 5 11-4 M. Perrett
2 312010 MAGANYOS (BL (D) (D. Samuel), N. Henderson, 5 11-3 ... S. Smith Eccles
3 40-1214 AMBER RAMBLER (D) (D. Silverton), H. Wharton, 6 11-0 P. Tuck
4 212200 AVERON (R. Cleland), C. Wildman, 5 11-0 ... R. Dunwoody
5 214001 CHAMPAGNE BRIGADE (D) (D. Manuirel), T. Kinane, Ireland, 6 11-0 ... T. Kinane
6 002F-PP COUNT MIDAS (A. Watson), A. Watson, 6 11-0 ... D. Shaw
7 230-220DORONICUM (BF) (Ewart Engineering Ltd), G. Richards, 6 11-0 ... D. Coakley
8 000 FRENCH UNION (Mrs C. Smith), D. Nicholson, 7 11-0 ... P. Scudamore
9 310220 GALA'S IMAGE (D) (Sheikh Ali Abu Khamsin), Mrs M. Rimell, 5 11-0 ... R. Linley
... 012 KESSLIN (I. Jewell), N. Vigors, 5 11-0 ... J. White
12 403011 KEYCORN (BL) (D) (H. Key), J. W. Blundell, 5 11-0 D. Dutton
13 00P-012 MI DAD (D) (BF) (Placard Ltd), Mrs J. Pitman, 8 11-0 M. Pitman
14 P011U POLAR STAR (D) (BF) (R. Kerslake), M. Pipe, 6 11-0 P. Leach
15 41410 RHOECUS (D) (P. Wetzel), Mrs M. Dickinson, 6 11-0 G. Bradley
16 111U0 SAILOR'S DANCE (D) (M. Ritzenberg), F. Winter, 5 11-0 ... J. Duggan
19 001 TOGG (D) (Mrs M. Saville-Deane), Mrs C. Postlethwaite, 7 11-0 ... P. A. Charlton
21 00 SASSANOCO (A. Sandemann), D. Oughton, 4 10-6 ... P. Double
23 28 THE CLOWN (G. Greenwood), M. Naughton, 4 10-6 ... D. Browne

S.P. FORECAST: 3 Kesslin, 9-2 Ten of Spades, 6 Maganyos, 8 Mi Dad, Champagne Brigade, 10 Sailor's Dance, 12 Togg, Gala's Image, 14 Rhoecus.

1984: Browne's Gazette 6 11-11 Mr D. Browne 10-11F M. Dickinson, 14 ran.

FORM GUIDE.—Keycorn beat Tachyros (gave 5lb) by ½l at Market Rasen (2½m) March 8 (good to soft going). Togg beat Mount Bolus (gave 7lb) by ½l at Southwell (2m) March 1 (good to soft). Ten of Spades was beaten 20l when 5th to Asir (level) at Cheltenham (2½m) March 13 (good). *Kesslin was beaten* 4l by Harry Hastings (level) at Cheltenham (2m) March 12 with Gala's Image (level), Rhoecus (level), Sailor's Dance (level) and Maganyos (rec 5lb) out of first 9 of 30 (good). Champagne *Brigade beat Hearn's* Hotel (gave 4lb) by 2½l at Leopardstown (2m) March 16 (good to yielding).

KESSLIN may go one better. Ten of Spades main threat

TV (B B C - 1): 2.35 & 3.10. (B B C - 2): 3.45 & 4.20

2.35 (Prefix 2): **WHITBREAD GOLD LABEL CUP 'CHASE £7,180 3m 1f (Mildmay) (6)**

2 10/1220 COMBS DITCH (BL) (D) (BF) (R. Tory), D. Elsworth, 9 11-5 ... C. Brown
3 221113 EARLS BRIG (W. Hamilton), W. Hamilton, 10 11-5 ... P. Tuck
4 111130 HALF FREE (Sheikh Ali Abu Khamsin), F. Winter, 9 11-5 R. Linley
5 145120 ROYAL BOND (CD) (Mrs C. Makolmson), A. Moore, Ireland, 12 11-5 ... T. Taaffe
6 F01140 TOM'S LITTLE AL (BL) (T. Staddon), W. R. Williams, 9 11-5 ... P. Scudamore
7 112320 WAYWARD LAD (Mrs S. Thewlis), Mrs M. Dickinson, 10 11-5 ... J. Francome

S.P. FORECAST: 7-4 Earl's Brig, 5-2 Half Free, 7-2 Combs Ditch, 11-2 Wayward Lad, 10 Royal Bond, 20 Tom's *Little Al*.

1984: Royal Bond 11 11-5 T. Taaffe 11-2 A. Moore, Ireland. 4 ran.

FORM GUIDE.—Earl's Brig was beaten 4l when 3rd to Forgive 'N Forget (level) at Cheltenham (3¼m) March 14 with Half Free (level) 7l away 5th. Combs Ditch (level), a further 5l away 7th and Wayward Lad (level) 8th of 12 finishers to (good). Tom's Little Al was beaten 21½l when 6th of 7 finishers to Straight Accord (2½m) March 14 (good). *Royal Bond*—winner of corresponding race 12 months ago—was beaten about 19l when 9th of 14 to Champagne Brigade (rec 7lb) at Leopardstown (2m hurdle) March 16 (good to yielding).

EARL'S BRIG may confirm Gold Cup form with Half Free

3.10 (Prefix 3): **WHITBREAD PALE ALE HANDICAP HURDLE £4,688 2m 5½f (21)**

1 133030 VIVAQUE (Mrs M. Harman), D. Elsworth, 6 11-8 ... C. Brown
2 331420 ALLTEN GLAZED (Exors late J. Widdall), M. Naughton, 8 10-13 ... G. Bradley
6 710021 EBORACUM (Mrs A. Harker), B. Wilkinson, 7 10-11 (5lb ex) ... Mr G. Harker (4)
7 420F11 GOING BROKE (T. O'Neill), D. Murray Smith, 5 10-10 (10lb ex) ... A. Webber
8 03-P000 MOSSMORRAN (D. Armstrong), A. Scott, 6 10-9 P. A. Charlton
9 120110 CHRYSAOR (P. Fahey), S. Christian, 7 10-8 ... K. Mooney
10 824000 MR DENETOP (T. Musgrave), F. Musgrave, 7 10-7 Mr P. J. Dun
11 3-000P0 LAWNSWOOD MISS (A. Hill), D. Nicholson, 7 10-6 P. Scudamore
13 101320 GEMBRIDGE JUPITER (A. Carver), C. Trietline, 7 10-5 J. Suthern
14 0112104 INDAMELODY (Mrs M. Thorne), N. Henderson, 7 10-2 ... S. Smith Eccles
17 1F0101 THE MAN HIMSELF (E. Briggs), G. Richards, 5 10-1 (5lb ex) ... D. Coakley (4)
18 1-F3304 AFZAL (C) (R. Fischer), R. Hollinshead, 5 10-0 ... J. O'Neill
20 0P0010 ROAD TO MANDALAY (BL) (Dataserv Ltd), D. Barons, 8 10-0 ... H. Davies
21 00-0401 DODGY FUTURE (D. Lowel), S. Mellor, 5 10-0 (5lb ex) M. Perrett
22 2F2341 BURANNPOUR (E. Weinstein), A. Jarvis, 5 10-0 (5lb ex) ... T. Jarvis (4)
23 F40400 GEARYS COLD ROLLED (D. Pike), Denys Smith, 8 10-0 C. Grant
24 000-FF2 DUNCOMBE PRINCE (J. Burgess), J. Jefferson, 6 10-0 P. Tuck
25 000401 MITILINI (J. Taylor), B. Preece, 5 10-0 (5lb ex) ... R. Strange
26 30-2004 MOLLINGTON (Orthopaedic Bedding & Advisory Services), J. Webber, 6 10-0 ... S. Webb
28 000323 CUT'N DRY (B. Brooks), L. Lightbrown, 5 10-0 M. Brennan
30 F02042 TACHYROS (BL) (P. Bowden), 5 10-0 ... R. Linley

S.P. FORECAST: 5 Going Broke, 6 Afzal, 7 Indamelody, 8 Eboracum, Dodgy Future, 10 Gembridge Jupiter, The Man Himself, 12 *Allten Glazed*, 14 Vivaque, 16 Chrysaor, Mossmorran, 20 others.

1984: Street Angel 8 11-0 A. Mullins 9-1 P. Mullins, Ireland. 13 ran.

FORM GUIDE.—Eboracum beat Duncombe Prince (rec 4lb) by 1½l at Ayr (2½m) March 9 with Gearys Cold Rolled (rec 9lb) 8l away 4th (good). Going Broke beat Achoch (gave 27lb) by 2½l at Lingfield (2½m) March 16 (soft). The Man Himself beat Burgundy (rec 12lb) by 30l at Ayr (2½m) March 11 (good). Indamelody was beaten just over 8l when 4th to Von Trappe (gave 5lb) at Cheltenham (3m 1f) March 13 with Gembridge Jupiter (rec 4lb) 6l away 5th. Chrysaor (rec 11lb) and Road To Mandalay (rec 7lb) out of first 9 of 30 (good). Afzal was beaten 13½l when 4th of 9 to Tartan Trader (gave 5lb) at Doncaster (2m 150y) Feb 25 (firm). Dodgy Future beat Lunar Song (rec 5lb) by 4l at Towcester (2m) March 21 with Mollington (level) 10½l away 4th of 30 (good) to soft and previously was beaten 11l when 8th to Floyd (gave 5lb) at Cheltenham (2m) March 14 with Allten Glazed (gave 14lb) out of first 9 (good). Burannpour beat Guilland (rec 4lb) by 4l at Southwell (2m) March 19 (good).

DODGY FUTURE is preferred to Indamelody

3.45 (Prefix 4): **WHITBREAD TROPHY HANDICAP 'CHASE £10,482 2¾m (21)**

1 220114 KILKILOWEN (Exors late Mrs S. Collen), J. Dreaper, Ireland, 9 12-0 ... K. Morgan
2 141432 FORTINA'S EXPRESS (P. Piller), W. A. Stephenson, 11 11-3 ... R. Lamb
3 2P-0022 BURNT OAK (Brig. C. Harvey), D. Nicholson, 9 10-5 ... P. Scudamore
4 0100-04 RICHARDSTOWN (A. Dickinson), Mrs M. Dickinson, 9 *10-5* ... R. Earnshaw
5 0-00000 ST ALEZAN (Lord Coventry), M. Tate, 8 10-4 ... S. Smith Eccles
7 000034 *DALTMORE (D) (A. Coburn), N. Meade, Ireland*, 7 10-4 P. Leech
9 P00P100 BEACON TIME (CD) (F. Markland), D. McCain, 11 10-1 ... K. Doolan (4)
10 1/0242- KING SPRUCE (Dr R. Carrier), R. Champion, 11 10-0 ... Mrs J. Carrier
11 31224F POYNTZ PASS (T. Harty), R. Fisher, 10 10-0 ... M. Meagher (4)
12 121332 SMITH'S MAN (Smith Mansfield Meat Co. Ltd), Mrs J. Pitman, 7 10-0 ... M. Perrett
13 2034P4 KNOCK HILL (P. Thompson), J. Webber, 9 10-0 ... A. Webber
14 P02200 ROMANY COUNT (Mrs A. Grantham), W. R. Williams, 15 10-0 ... Mr T. Grantham (7)
17 114021 BOOK OF KELLS (R. Beeson), J. Blundell, 10 10-0 (3lb ex) ... D. Dutton
19 F-11F1B MASTER TERCEL (T. Baines), J. Spearing, 9 10-0 ... S. Morshead
23 0F-P0BP EGGNOG (R. Carrier), R. Champion, 12 10-0 ... G. McCourt
24 21P221 RUN TO ME (D) (N. R. Mitchell), N. Mitchell, 10 10-0 (3lb ex) ... R. Dunwoody
25 10P020 MARSHAL NIGHT (R. Woodhouse), R. *Woodhouse*, 10 10-0 ... S. Keightley
26 PF-34P0 GALLEON BEACH (E. Barber), J. Edwards, 9 10-0 ... P. Barton
27 *044003 GREENWAYS (D) (A. Moore), A. Jarvis*, 10 10-0
28 033221 ABO ACE (G. Hubbard), R. Champion, 7 10-0 (3lb ex) ... J. Duggan (4)
29 0422U4 SHAMROCK BRIDGE (M. Clarke), R. Francis, 9 10-0 R. Crank

S.P. FORECAST: 6 Fortina's Express, 13-2 Kilkilowen, 8 Smith's Man, Burnt Oak, 10 Daltmore, 12 Richardstown, 14 Poyntz Pass, Run To Me, 16 Beacon Time, 20 Book of Kells, King Spruce, Knock Hill, Master Tercel, 25 others.

1984: Fabulous 11 10-0 A. Stringer 33-1 J. S. Wilson, 23 ran.

FORM GUIDE.—Book of Kells beat Stand Back (gave 3lb) *by* 8l at Doncaster (2½m) March 9—Poyntz Pass (gave 10lb) leading when fell 3rd-last (firm). Run To Me beat Fire Drill (gave 4lb) by 2½l at Fontwell (2m 2½f) March 19 (good). *Fortina's Express* was beaten 10l by Earls Brig (gave 3lb) at Haydock (3m) March 2 (good *to soft*). *Burnt Oak was beaten ½l by Special Cargo* (gave 7lb) at Sandown (3m 118y) March 8 (good). Smith's Man was beaten 6l by Fethard Friend (gave 11lb) at Wolverhampton (3½m) March 15 (good). Kilkilowen was beaten 4½l when 4th of 7 finishers to Straight Accord (level) at Cheltenham (2½m) March 14 (good). Daltmore was beaten 13½l to Koime (rec 14lb) at Navan (3m) March 9 (yielding). King Spruce was beaten 3l by Wayward Lad (gave 6lb) in a match at Doncaster (3m 122y) Feb 25 (good to firm). Richardstown was beaten 26½l when 4th of 7 finishers *to Nickle Moppett* (rec 14lb) at Wolverhampton (2½m) March 18 (good to soft).

KILKILOWEN may give the weight to Fortina's Express

4.20 (Prefix 5): **WHITBREAD BEST MILD NOVICES' 'CHASE £4,155 3m 1f (Mildmay) (12)**

1 10-2132 ARCTIC BEAU (BF) (P. Venni), J. Thorne, 7 11-6 P. Scudamore
3 *213500 GOOD TRADE (A. Lemer), R. Perkins, 10 11-6* ... Dai Williams
4 PF00FF AUCHENCRUIVE (Mrs S. Saville), A. Watson, 10 11-3 ... *S. Charlton*
5 2211F2 BIG BROWN BEAR (G. Barlow), G. Barlow, 8 11-3 ... P. Barton
6 1001U2 CHARLES DUKE (J. Morrison), G. Richards, 8 11-3 D. Coakley
7 3-12F1U COOL MAGIC (F. Jestin), F. Jestin, 7 11-3 ... Mr L. Hudson
8 1030- GALESBURG (Mrs J. O'Brien), Mrs M. Dickinson, 6 11-3 ... *D. Browne*
12 1-03111 NEWLIFE CONNECTION (B. McMillan), W. A. Stephenson, 6 11-3 ... R. Lamb
13 004FF-P PORTABOUGY (D. Cowgill), M. Tate, 10 11-3 ... M. Bastard
14 11-112U RHYME N'REASON (D) (Miss J. Reed), D. Murray-Smith, 6 11-3 ... G. Bradley
15 021-0PF WILLIE'S GIG (BL) (B. Brooks), O. Brennan, 7 11-3 M. Brennan
16 2P103S ZAMANDRA (L. Wild), *J. Fitzgerald*, 10 10-12 ... M. Dwyer

S.P. FORECAST: 13-8 Rhyme N'Reason, 9-4 Newlife Connection, 11-2 Zamandra, 10 Big Brown Bear, Galesburg, 16 Charles Duke, 20 others.

1984: Baron Blakeney 7 11-6 Mr O. Sherwood 14-1 M. Pipe. 8 ran.

FORM GUIDE.—Arctic Beau was beaten 30l by Drumadowney (rec 5lb) at Cheltenham (3m) Nov 9 (soft). Big Brown Bear was beaten 25l by Parish Ringed (rec 4lb) at Worcester (2½m) March 20 (good to soft). Newlife Connection beat Sharunala (rec 10lb) by 10l at Doncaster (2m 150y) March 9 (firm). Charles Duke was beaten 5l by Miss Mayo (rec 7lb) at Ayr (3m 110y) March 11 (good). *Zamandra* was beaten 7l when 3rd to Antarctic Bay (gave 5lb) at Cheltenham (3m) March 13—Rhyme 'N Reason (gave 5lb) unseated rider 7th (good). Previously Rhyme 'N Reason was beaten 3l by Drumadowney (level) at Ascot (3m) Feb 6 (good). Galesburg was beaten 51½l when 7th of 15 to Dark Ivy (gave 7lb) at Naas (2m 3f hurdle) Jan 28 (heavy).

RHYME 'N REASON may make amends. Zamandra pick of others.

4.50 (Prefix 6): **CHESTERS HANDICAP 'CHASE £3,941 2½m (Mildmay) (8)**

1 111110 BEAU RANGER (D) (White Bros. (Taunton) Ltd), J. Thorne, 7 11-10 ... J. Hurst (7)
2 2-31134 DIRECT LINE (D) (B. Otter), J. Fitzgerald, 11 11-6 R. O'Leary
3 1-10000 GAMBLING PRINCE (CD) (Mrs G. Jones), Mrs G. Jones, 12 10-13 ... J. Burke
4 13210F *BRAVE GEORGE (D) (P. Cowell), P. Haynes, 8 10-7 G. Bradley*
6 111034 BROKEN SPEECH (D) (Brig F. Noble), N. Crump, 9 10-5 ... C. Hawkins
7 U1F4PF KING OR COUNTRY (CD) (Malncrest Ltd), D. Barons, 14 10-4 ... H. Davies
8 33P222 STAND BACK (D) (W. Crawford), W. A. Stephenson, 8 10-0 ... Mr P. J. Dun
10 4F1412 *FIRE DRILL (P. Norman)*, K. Bishop, 10 10-0 ... A. Jones (4)

S.P. FORECAST: 2 Direct Line, 3 Beau Ranger, 7-2 Brave George, 5 Broken Speech, 7 King or Country, 12 others.

1984: Gambling Prince 11 10-0 J. Burke 20-1 Mrs G. Jones. 12 ran.

FORM GUIDE.—Stand Back was beaten 8l by Book of Kells (rec 3lb) at Doncaster (2½m) March 9 (firm). Fire Drill was beaten 2½l by Run To Me (rec 4lb) at Fontwell (2m 2½f) March 19 (good). Broken Speech was beaten 19l when 4th of 7 finishers to Powder Horn (rec 21lb) at Doncaster (2½m) Feb 25—Stand Back (rec 1lb) 2nd beaten 2½l (firm). Direct Line was beaten just over 2l when 4th to The Tsarevich (gave 2lb) at Cheltenham (2½m) March 13 with Beau Ranger (rec 5lb) 5l away 5th (good). Brave George was 2nd when fell late in race won by Western Sunset (gave 13lb) at Newbury (2½m) March 2 —*King Or Country (level) p.u. (soft). Gambling Prince*—winner of corresponding race 12 months ago—was beaten more than 14½l when 7th of 9 to Classified (level) at Worcester (2½m) Feb 27—Fire Drill (level) 4th beaten 7l (good to soft).

DIRECT LINE may confirm Cheltenham form with Beau Ranger

Yesterday's results and prices at two meetings

CATTERICK BRIDGE

Going: GOOD TO SOFT

2.15: SPRINGTIME APP'CE H'CAP Penalty Value £798 7f

O I OYSTON, b g Martinmas—Last Lap (J. Berry) 9 9-6 ... J. Carroll ... 2-1F 1
RAPID ACTION, ch f Gunner B—*Delayed Action* (Fyfe Transport Ltd) 4 8-9 ... A. Dicks ... 7-2 2
SPIGOT SHAFT, b g Upper Nile—Reckless Date (B. Johnson) 5 8-9 ... *Wendy Jones* ... 7-1 3

Also: 7 Murillo (5th), 10 Late Hour, 13 Shiela Crockall (6th), Willie Gan, 14 Debaro (4th), 16 Into the Wind, 33 Ab's Comet. 10 ran. Hd, 4l, 4l, ½l, 1½l. (J. Berry, Cockerham.) Tote: Win, £2·70; places, £1·10, £1·10, £5·00; Dual F'cast, £3·90. SPSF: £8·86. Tricast: £30·25.

Trade High did not come under starter's orders. Rule 4 applies to all bets, deduction 10p in the £.

2.45: TOTTOP STKS 2-Y-O £1,006

DUBLIN LAD, c c Dublin Taxi—North Hut M. (Brittain), 8-11 ... B. Cooman ... 2-1F 1
DARING DECO b f Derrylin—Tantra (Mrs M. Jarvis), 8-8 ... T. Rogers ... 5-2 2
DANCING TOM b c Dance In Time—Oakwoodhill (J. Turner), 8-6 ... G. Coates ... 7-1 3

Also: 5 Blessed Aisle (5th), 7 Knight Hunter, 8 Emie's Brother (4th), Jessie Fills (6th), 33 Bimini Ridge, Valdarno. 9 ran. 5l, 1l, 2l, 7l, 1l. (M. Brittain, Warthill.) Tote: Win, £2·90; places, £1·20, £1·30, £4·20; Dual F'cast, £4·40; SPSF: £8·40.

3.15: "SEE IT LIVE" IN YORKSHIRE H'CAP £1,213 6f

GODS SOLUTION, gr c Godswalk—Campitello (P. Jones) 4 9-3 ... S. Webster ... 6-1 1
EASTBROOK, br h Lochnager—Lush Gold (M. H. Easterby) 5 8-4 ... M. Birch ... 3-1F 2
TRIAD TREBLE, ch g Sweet Revenge—Treble Cloud (Triad Garages Ltd) 4 8-11 ... T. Ives ... 11-1 3

Also: 6 Shanoosha (4th), 8 Lady Cara, Wilma Rudolph (6th), 9 Gunner Royal, 10 Tang Dancer, 12 Lord Sinclair, Uptown Girl, 16 Montagu Miss, 20 Balkan (5th). 12 ran. Hd, 5l, 3l, 2½l, 1½l. (T. Barron, Maunby.) Tote: Win, £5·30; places, £1·20, £1·80, £2·60; Dual F'cast: £18·90. SPSF: £24·35. Tricast: £187·06. NR: Son Of Raja.

3.45: FORCETT PARK 5 STKS £1,139 7f

LADY GRIM, ch f Status Seeker—Aberdoon (J. Davis), 3 8-5 ... M. Birch ... 16-1 1
RUN EAST, ch f Swing Easy—Redhead (I. Vickers), 3 8-3 ... M. Hills ... 5-2F 2
WHOKNOWSTHEBOWLER, br c Cawston's Clown—Petra (J. Abbey), 3 8-6 ... T. Rogers ... 6-1 3

Also: 3 Kittaley (4th), 15-2 Mickey Finn, 10 Grey Loral, Rose d'Anjou, 12 Brompton Imperial (6th), 16 Ronalds Pearl, Tufted Locks, 20 Run For Free (5th), 25 Ribble Star, 33 Dadeka Dancer, Emmazenda. 14 ran. 2½l, 2½l, 5l, ¾l, 3l. (W. Wharton, Melton Mowbray.) Tote: Win, £24·30; places, £5·30, £2·00, £1·60; Dual F'cast: £78·90. SPSF: £59·33. NR: Henry's Place, Sudden Light. No bid for the winner.

4.15: YARM H'CAP £1,326 1m 7f 180y

CARNEADES, b g Homing—Connarca (Timeform Group), 5 8-7 ... M. Birch ... 3-1F 1
SECRET FINALE, ro g Warpath—Fox Covert (P. Wes), 6 8-7 ... D. Oldham ... 10-1 2
RED DUSTER, br g Lothir—Maroon (C. B-Lomax), 5 9-5 ... *S. Webster* ... 7-1 3

Also: 9-2 Half Asleep (5th), 8 Bourcoe, 12 Climber, Tinoco (4th), 14 Bohemond, 16 Fascadale, Surprise Attack, 20 Hydrangea, Mossy Bell (6th), Supper's Ready, 25 Dusty Farlow, 33 Patchit. 15 ran. 1½l, 2l, 3l, 1½l, 8l. (M. H. Easterby, Great Habton.) Tote: Win, £4·10; places, £2·20, £2·30, £2·70; Dual F'cast: £19·90. SPSF: £35·41. Tricast: £189·27.

4.45: ORAN MDN STKS 2-Y-O £730 5f

LADY CHANTRY, b f Dublin Taxi—Lunablesse (T. Barron), 8-11 ... S. Webster ... 9-4F 1
FARIDA FAIR, ch f Cawston's Clown—Faridetta (Mrs B. Carrington), 8-11 ... N. Connorton ... 12-1 2
SEQUESTRATOR, b c African Sky—Miss Redmarshall (G. Nunn), 9-0 ... T. Ives ... 5-2 3

Also: 3 Zabelina, 5 Cooper Racing Nail (5th), 15-2 Windstreaker, 8 Geline, 12 Running Rainbow (4th), 25 Sandy Furniss (6th). 9 ran. 10l, nk, 2l, nk, nk. (T. Barron, Maunby.) Tote: Win, £3·70; places, £1·20, £1·60, £1·20; Dual F'cast: £45·20. SPSF: £38·76.

5.15: WHORLTON MDN STKS 3-Y-O Fillies £684 1½m 40y

NATIONAL DRESS b f Welsh Pageant—Empress of Russia (A. Lavell) 8-11 ... T. Ives ... 6-4-1 1
VERBADING b f Verbatim—Pleading (Mrs M. Brook) 8-11 ... J. Lowe ... 8-1 2
DONA PERFECTA ch f Morston—Oula-Ka Fu-Fu (B. Tang) 8-8 ... S. Whitworth ... 6-4JF 3

Also: 6-4JF Classic Profile (5th), 16 Lucille Astik (4th), 20 Brandon Grey, 50 Diaphantine (6th). 7 ran. 7l, 15l, 1l, 5l, 8l. (R. Williams, Newmarket.) Tote: £4·60; place, £3·90, £1·90; Dual F'cast: £26·30. SPSF: £46·65.
PLACEPOT: £5·95.

HUNTINGDON

Going: SOFT

2.30 (2½m hdle): Rancher (D. Wilkinson, 8-1) 1; Hasmard (D. Dunwoody, 20-1) 2; Motivator (J. McLaughlin, 16-1) 3. Also: 9-4F Water Carlton (5th), 11-4 Luxury (4th), 100-30 Kemal Siddiq (5th), 8 Deep Echo, 14 Indian Officer, 20 Jimmy Quickit, 33 Double Measure (p.u.), Same Date, 50 Joe Pipper, Kushhoon, Rymer's Son, Sedgebrook Star, Sriogo, For Valour, Hospital Chimes, Surinamer Lass (p.u.), Bonhill Lad (p.u.). 20 ran. 1½l, 2l, 1½l, 6l, 2½l. (C. Thornton, Middleham.) Tote: Win, £10·70; places, £3·50, £5·60, £6·60; Dual F'cast: £191·30. SPSF: £154·82. NR: Ledbrokes Leisure, The Papparazi.

3.0 (3m 100 'ch): Macoliver (P. Scudamore, 7-1), 1; Navajo Brave (R. Goldstein, 6-1), 2; Mount Harvard (J. White, 7-2), 3. Also: 15-8F Conquering (f), 7 Shell Burst (p.u.), 16 Falkland Conqueror (f), 20 Moascar (f), 25 Rastasentinel (u.r.), Tricky Business (p.u.), 50 Bank Law (f), Barnaby Ruddge (5th), Mornans Gold (p.u.), Poor Excuse, Woodlands Genesis (p.u.), Huntless (p.u.), Queen Francesca (4th), Wagener Wish (f). 17 ran. 10l, 15l, 12l, 5l. (Mrs J. Pitman, Upper Lambourn.) Tote: Win, £5·60; places, £2·50, £1·90, £7·40; Dual F'cast, £17·10; SPSF: £46·34. NR: Country Circus.

3.30 (2m 200y hdle): Rix Woodcock (A. Webber, 11-4) 1; Jimmy Roy (K. Murphy, 15-2) 2; Harlow Mill (P. Leach, 7-4F) 3. Also: 9-2 Gasnof (5th), 15-2 Solzanne Quinze, 8 Linpac Gold (4th), 14 Alligned (6th), Yazeed (p.u.), 20 Easy Listening, 33 Bright Honey (p.u.), Valdamos. 11 ran. 1½l, hd, 7l, 12l, 10l. (G. Kindersley, Newbury.) Tote: Win, £3·80; places, £1·30, £2·10, £2·10; Dual F'cast, £6·90. SPSF: £24·19. Tricast: £59·96.

4.0 (3m 100y 'ch): Castle Warden (P. Barton, 5-2F) 1; Polar Express (C. Warren, 50-1) 2; Playfields (B. Powell, 16-1) 3. Also: 5 Below The Salt (u.r.), 6 Unswing (f), 7 Browwyn (u.r.), 9 Lawn Meet (4th), 14 Santa Noot (5th), 16 Ballydoonagh (6th), 35 Drumcondra (p.u.). 10 ran. 2l, 2½l, 4l, 5l, 12l. (J. Edwards, Ross-on-Wye.) Tote: Win, £3·00; places, £1·10, £14·90, £2·90; Dual F'cast, £345·70. SPSF: £85·64. Tricast: £1,536·57. NR: Prince Carlton.

4.30 (2½m 'ch): Cole Porter (G. McCourt, 8-1) 1; Bucks Green (R. Rowe, 5-1) 2; Comedian (P. Scudamore 5-2F) 3. Also: 5 Friscar (4th), 8 Miss Wood (p.u.), Master Melody (f), 14 Fair Babu, 16 Carouser (f), 25 Mick's Ritual (f), 33 Beau Vite (5th), Highland Linnet (p.u.), 50 Bobtree (5th), Tom Farr, Prince Pirate (p.u.). 14 ran. 6l, 15l, 1½l, 10l, ½l. (M. Banks, Sandy.) Tote: Win, £7·60; places, £1·60, £1·80, £1·60; Dual F'cast: £14·20. SPSF: £32·25. Tricast: £74·27.

5.0 (2½m hdle): True Heritage (J. Barlow, 5-4F) 1; Singlecole (M. Bastard 6-1) 2; Fun Partner (R. Davies 8-1) 3. Also: 4 Atrabates, 6 Gee-A, 9 Mount Nugent (6th), Flying Officer (5th), 16 St Andrew's Bay, 20 Derry Dancer, Indian, 25 Al Punter, 33 Golden Bunting, 66 Ballipper's Folly (p.u.), Charlie Bustle, Chicken Shack, Rolpaul, Royal Revenue, Tutor's Nephew (p.u.), West Tarelgin, Fine Style, Joshing, Lady Seville (4th). 22 ran. ¾l, 6l, 4l, 5l, 1l. (A. Hide, Newmarket.) Tote: Win, £4·90; places, £2·20, £2·90, £3·60; Dual F'cast: £8·50. SPSF: £18·24.
PLACEPOT: £136·95.

Boxing

McGUIGAN TO FIGHT PEDROZA IN LONDON

By *KEN MAYS*

BARRY McGUIGAN is to get his chance against Eusebio Pedroza for the world featherweight title a little later than expected, following an agreement reached in the early hours of yesterday morning.

The European champion, *who retained his title by des*troying the limp challenger, Farid Gallouze, of France, in two rounds at Wembley on Tuesday, has to wait until late June before he attempts to lift the W B A crown.

Following negotiations that broke off at 3 a.m. and were resumed at 7 a.m., the Panamanian camp finally agreed to come to London.

The fight has to take place *before July 10—but not on May* 26 as was first mooted by the British camp. Earls Court is the favourite venue, with Loftus Road, the Queens Park Rangers' ground, an outside possibility.

Underdog at last

The contest will be under the auspices of Stephen Eastwood, who has promoted all McGuigan's fights in Northern Ireland.

For the first time McGuigan expects to be the underdog. "I can't guarantee I will win. It is probably 75-25 in his favour. I watch videos of his contests and they give me nightmares," he said of a world champion who will be making *his 20th defence*.

If McGuigan wins he will have to make a mandatory defence within 90 days against Bernard Taylor, of the U.S.

Heavyweight Frank Bruno, meanwhile, who stopped former European champion Lucien Rodriguez inside a round with some heavy punching at Wembley, is still in doubt about his challenge for a European title against Anders Eklund.

Bruno was expecting to meet the Swede at Wembley on May 14 but promoter Mike Barrett was still trying to confirm yesterday whether Eklund, who watched Bruno win on Tuesday, would come to London at all.

Pat Cowdell will have to travel to Liege on May 10 to defend his European super featherweight title against Jean Marc Renard, the Belgian from whom he took the title last year.

The Belgians won the purse offer with £21,000 plus a share of the television rights.



Eusebio Pedroza . . . who will put his W B A title at stake against McGuigan before July 10.

SQUASH RACKETS

AMERICAN EXPRESS PREM. LGE.—Armley 2, Manchester 5—Cannons 4, *Nottingham 1—Dunnings Hill 2*, Redwood Lodge 5—Leicester 2, Tyrells 3.

Lawn Tennis

BRASHER THROUGH

Kate Brasher, the defending champion, had a walkover into the quarter-finals of the Farmer Group Women's Spring lawn tennis tournament at Queen's Club, London, yesterday, when Michelle Gracie was taken ill just as they were about to go on court.

2ND RD: K. Brasher w.o. M. Gracie scr; L. Geeves bt J. Griffiths 6-3, 6-1; R. Kermode bt C. Gaskin 7-5, 6-4; S. Nicholson bt R. Dickinson 6-0, 6-0; J. Wood bt V. Subba Rao 6-0, 6-0; J. Langstaff bt W. Compton 6-2, 6-3; J. Louis bt E. Bunce 6-3, 6-0; J. Reeves bt F. Couldridge 6-3, 6-3.

FLORIDA CLASSIC (Fort Meyers).—1st rd (US unless stated): E. Teltscher bt M. Bauer 6-4, 3-6, 6-1; J. Fitzgerald (Australia) bt R. Krishnan (India) 6-7, 7-6, 6-4; B. Testerman bt F. Gonzalez (Paraguay) 6-7, 7-5, 6-4; S. Giammalva bt D. Pate 6-4, 7-5; J. Connors bt P. Doohan (Australia) 5-7, 6-1, 6-2.

Hockey

Wales seek cup in Argentina

THE women hockey players of Wales will be the first British sports team to play in Argentina since the 1982 Falklands war when the Intercontinental Cup gets under way in Buenos Aires today.

Both countries are in Group A—together with Japan, Jamaica, Uruguay and Paraguay — and meet each other on Sunday.

Group B comprises the Soviet Union—favourites to win the title—Switzerland, India, Zimbabwe and South Korea. The top two in each group qualify for the semi-finals, with the two finalists qualifying for the 1986 World Cup in Canada.

More experienced

Wales, favourites to win their group, are more experienced than most of their rivals and in a practice game on Tuesday they *routed Zimbabwe 10-1. The rela*tively inexperienced Argentines are hoping that home advantage will help them clinch a semi-final place.

The Soviet Union, runners-up to Holland, the world champions, in last year's European Championship, have played no warm-up matches, but are favourites to win Group B and the cup. India and South Korea are the main candidates for the other last-four place.

WELSH PROGRAMME. — Today: Wales v Jamaica. March 30: Wales v Paraguay. 31: Argentina v Wales. April 2: Wales v Uruguay. 3: Wales v Japan. 5 & 6: Pool play-offs. 7: Final.

COSTING WRONG SAY CCPR

The Central Council of Physical Recreation yesterday challenged the Sports Council's estimate that only about £8 million will be needed to fill the gap in sports funding when the Greater London Council and metropolitan authorities are abolished in April next year.

The CCPR puts the cost at a minimum of £18 million, without taking into account the money that will be needed by South Yorkshire.

In a letter to the Sports Council, Keith Mitchell, chairman of the CCPR, said: "If we approach this matter realistically, we have to take into account that Department of the Environment officials have announced that only £25 million additional money will be available from Government, and this will have to cover not only sport, but also the arts, heritage and other areas of public interest."

ROAD RUNNING

CITY OF LONDON POLY, 2½ MILES (Tower Hill).—C. Moxsom (Haringey) 13 min. 2 sec., 1; K. Naylor (Bishop's Stortford) 13-11, 2; M. Crees (Enfield) 13-23, 3. H'cap: J. Jennett (City Poly) 16-56.

Hockey

ENGLAND PLAY IN HOLLAND

By CHRIS MOORE

ENGLAND have been invited to compete against Holland, West Germany and India in a four-nation tournament in Amsterdam from June 13 to 16, the Hockey Association announced yesterday.

Colin Whalley, the England manager, had been hoping England would be offered the vacant place, following the withdrawal of Pakistan. "This is a superb opportunity for us to start building the 1986 World Cup squad," he said.

England have not beaten Holland, the European champions, since 1961, but the Great Britain team, largely composed of English players, enjoyed three victories over the *Dutch* last year.

England will also play West Germany, the Olympic silver medallists, in Mulheim, on May 12.

In view of the mounting costs of this year's international programme, the England management is organising its own fund-raising activities, and hopes to collect at least £2,000.

PUBLIC SCHOOLS FESTIVAL (Oxford)—Swifts 4, Rugby 1—Gordonstoun 0, Kestrels 4—Leys 5, Kelly 1—B Stortford 2, Tonbridge 0—Allhallows 2, King's Rochester 0—Bryanston 1, Sutton Valence 1—Ab'ngdon 1, Forest 2—Bromsgrove 0, Framlingham 1—Canford 2, Stowe 0—Bloxham 1, Mill Hill 0.

Lawn Tennis

Sapsford hopes to go marching on

By JOHN PARSONS

DANNY SAPSFORD, one of the most consistent competitors among Britain's budding lawn tennis prospects, defends his 16-and-under title when the finals of the L T A Junior Winter Indoor Series begin at Telford today.

Sapsford, 15, from Weybridge, who was enticed into lawn tennis through one of the many *Prudential grass roots* coaching centres, has been successful in at least one principal event in each year since becoming a 12-and-under champion four years ago.

The competition facing him, and indeed those in the other three events over the next three days, should be stern, for recent form among the leading British juniors in the 14 and 16 age groups has been heartening.

This event is the culmination of a circuit of weekend tournaments which *began last October*, whereby the top eight boys and girls in each section, who accumulate the most points, qualify for Telford.

The reigning champion

Sapsford, the top seed, won qualifying events along the way at Darlington and Coventry. He is also the reigning Prudential Junior Grasscourt Champion in his age group.

Neale Pashley, 16, the second seed, who also comes from Surrey, has had a close rivalry with Sapsford over the years. He won the qualifying tournament at Bisham Abbey in addition to being a runner-up to Sapsford at Coventry.

In both the 16-and-under events, former 14-and-under champions will be seeking further honours. They are Colin Beecher, who is already a pupil at the L T A's residential school at Bisham Abbey, which Sapsford joins in September, and Sue McCarthy.

Top seed among the senior girls is Cambridgeshire's Teresa Catlin, who lost to Miss McCarthy at Darlington but took the titles at Bisham Abbey and Coventry.

Play starts at 9.30 this morning, the finals on Saturday morning. The qualifiers:

BOYS.—16-and-under: C. Beecher (Kent), S. Booth (Warwicks), D. Kirk (Lincs), J. Lepton (Beds), U. Nganga (Norfolk), N. Pashley (Surrey), M. Petchey (Essex), D. Sapsford (Surrey). 14-and-under: S. Cornish (Somerset), J. Entract (Dorset), A. Foster (Staffs), D. Harris (Essex), D. Ireland (Leics), S. Jackson (Cheshire), J. Jones (Sussex), N. Smith (Lancs).

GIRLS.—16-and-under: T. Catlin (Cambs), N. Entract (Dorset), A. Fleming (Leics), S. Godman (Surrey), A. Gregory (Notts), S. McCarthy (Avon), S. Timms (Essex), A. Nall (Oxon). 14-and-under: J. Donovan (Warcs), V. Humphreys-Davies (Cumbs), L. Jefferies (Avon), S. Jenkins (Berks), Loosemore (Wales), M. Mair (Scotland), S. Smith (Essex), H. Walters (Essex).

ICE HOCKEY

NAT. LGE.—Detroit 5, Minnesota 3—Montreal 5, Boston 3—Quebec 4, Buffalo 3—New York Rangers 5, Pittsburgh 4—Edmonton 7, New York Islanders 5.

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Rugby Union

EVANS BROUGHT INTO WALES' FRONT ROW

By JOHN MASON

STUART EVANS, Swansea's tight-head prop, received a late call to join the Wales international squad at training yesterday. Before the session was over, he had been brought into the team to play France in Paris on Saturday.

Evans, 21, replaces Ian Eidman, of Cardiff, who aggravated recurring back trouble in the Schweppes Cup match with Pontypool last Saturday, and joins Paul Thorburn as the second new cap in the team against France.

Eidman, the first of whose eight caps was against Scotland two years ago, reported for training but had little hope of playing. The WRU doctor confirmed Eidman's fears and Evans was hastily summoned.

The advance of Evans, who is 17 stone and 6ft 1in, owes much to the Welsh youth system. His potential was first spotted at a junior club in Port Talbot more than four years ago.

Likened to Price

A year later, Evans, whose mobility and strength have put many experienced observers in mind of a youthful Graham Price, who also made his international debut in Paris, was in the Wales Youth representative team against England.

France have also had to readjust their pack because Alain Lorieux, of Grenoble, who was to have replaced Francis Haget (Biarritz), has a shoulder injury. He has withdrawn and Gene-Charles Orso (Nice) will replace Lorieux in the second row.

Orso, who is also a capable No. 8, came on as a replacement against Ireland in the drawn match in Dublin. His appearance in place of Haget increased France's line-out options without improving the scrummaging which, presumably, is why Lorieux was recalled initially.

Paul Thorburn, the new Wales full-back, was most apologetic earlier this week to the Welsh Students Rugby Association for whom he was to have played on the eve of the international against a France Students XV.

Thorburn's promotion to the national side allows Peter Greenway, a medical student who plays for London Welsh, to succeed him in the students' side. Greenway is one of seven London Welshmen who miss the club's away game with Swansea on Saturday.

Clive Rees, the club's inspiring captain, rests a nagging injury, Rob Ackerman is playing for Wales, Kevin Bowring is in Hongkong, Matthew Ebsworth is unfit, and John Collins and Stuart Russell are with the Wales students in France.

Midlands Rugby

PETERBORO' LOOK SHARP FOR FINAL

By MICHAEL AUSTIN

PETERBOROUGH'S superior fixture list and inferior results add piquancy to their East Midlands Cup Final against Stewarts & Lloyds at Corby on Sunday, with the winners qualifying for next season's John Player Cup.

Stewarts, unbeaten by English opponents this season, meet a side with only 12 wins in 31 games but Peterborough can call on five of this season's East Midlands team.

Rob John, a flanker from Wales, leads Peterborough, whose recent county players are David Everitt, a prop, Gary Allen, a No. 8, Tim Meston, a goal-kicking hooker, John Sismey, a wing, and Keith Jensen, a former Northampton lock.

Intense competition

Ian Hamilton, Peterborough's secretary, said: "Our moderate playing record reflects a challenging fixture list, which includes the second teams of most Midlands' senior clubs. John West, our chairman and fixture secretary, has done a marvellous job."

Stoke Old Boys, of Coventry, are enjoying one of their finest seasons, which has brought 28 wins and only three defeats, under the captaincy of Ian Stokes, a former Coventry outside-half.

Competition for places has been so intense that when Steve Whittle, the No. 8 and leading try-scorer with 20, recently returned from a skiing holiday, he could not win back his place from Adrian Mulhall, 19.

Stoke's impressive list of conquests includes Solihull, Newbold, Leamington and Coventry Welsh, and their only defeats were by Stoke-on-Trent, Oxford Old Boys and Barkers' Butts in the Warwickshire Cup Final.



The ball goes loose at Twickenham as England's David Smith (white shirt) collides with Molina, Italy's centre.

Cheers and tears as England fail

England Schools (16 Group) ... 3 pts, Italy 9

AMID cheers and tears Italy's youngest group of representative rugby players gained a famous first victory at Twickenham over England's 16-year-old Schoolboys yesterday. Italy also won at home last year, writes **John Mason.**

Victory by a goal and penalty goal to a penalty goal was nothing less than Italy deserved in a match which became progressively more scrappy as defeat for England looked more and more likely.

Collectively the exchanges attained no great heights of skill. But there were storming individual performances, mostly from the forthright well-built visitors. Italian orange juice, plainly, possesses many qualities.

Busy referee

Casellato, scrumhalf, Molina, centre, Garribo, lock, and Copersino, loosehead, a young man of spectacular theatrical poses, made a succession of important contributions. But the most mature assured display came from Macchia, the fullback—calm, careful, correct.

England offered the better teamwork. But bricks without straw, the wearing down effect of indifferent possession, left Painter, outside half, and Wilson, centre, the best of backs, without many options against frantic though efficient defence.

Of the 28 penalties, David Parry Jones, the referee, awarded 20 to England. As schoolboys play only 35 minutes each way Mr Parry Jones, as he had been in the 18 Group match with New Zealand in January, had a busy time in getting his message across.

Italy, including the conversion of the try, had three kicks at goal, two of which Macchia put over with a minimum of fuss. England's goal kicks went to Painter (4) and Harwood (2), the only success being an equalising penalty goal from Painter.

Macchia began with a longish goal after England had not released the ball. He followed with the conversion of Casellato's try after a wheeling scrum allowed the alert scrumhalf to escape England's back row.

ENGLAND. — S. Lock (Saintbridge, Gloucester); C. Harwood (Edgware), J. Wilson (Queen's Taunton), S. Mees (King's, Taunton), D. Smith (Guiseley); S. Painter (King's Taunton), B. Fenley (Cheltenham GS); A. Sharp (Highbury, Bristol), A. Hetherington (Barnard Castle), P. Drew (Richard Lander, Truro), M. Ellis (Lutterworth), J. Horrobin (Forest of Dean), R. Fool-Jones (Kings, Macclesfield), L. Conway (Dame Alan's, Newcastle), D. Edwards (Tunbridge Wells).

ITALY.—N. Macchia; L. Mammeri, A. Pesce, M. Molina, E. Finotto; S. Brolis, U. Casellato; F. Copersino, E. Taschella, S. Bossi, M. Markan, G. Garribo, G. Sturaro, A. Mescardi, S. Trumpy.

Referee.—D. Parry Jones (Wales).

Women's Golf

THORNDON FEAR THE UNKNOWN

By ELIZABETH PRICE

THORNDON PARK, the holders, represented by Sally Barber and Susan Moorcraft, 19, reached the quarter-finals of the Ladies' London Foursomes at Hindhead yesterday.

They next meet the home club, and they are a little worried about the unknown. They have not yet played the last four holes in practice or in the tournament itself.

Mrs Barber and her partner were not quite as satisfied with their play as they had been in their big wins in the first two rounds, but they were good enough to beat St George's Hill by 6 and 5.

Notable scalp

Hindhead (Christine Wills and Sue Vicary) took a notable scalp in beating Banstead Downs, for whom two promising young players were competing—Alison Belcher, 19, the Surrey Girls champion, and Clair London.

Last year's runners-up Hilary Kave and Anne Pyke, from Harpenden, came through against Porters Park, and this year's final could well be a repeat of 1984.

2nd Rd: Hindhead (C. Wills & S. Vicary) bt Liphook (A. Lane & P. Parker) 4 & 3; Banstead Downs (A. Belcher & C. London) bt W. Byfleet (C. Kirkland & M. Field) 8 & 7; Thorndon Pk (S. Barber & S. Moorcraft) bt Hankley Common (S. Morrogh & A. Archer) 5 & 4; St George's Hill (B. Bustin & S. Newman) bt Walton Hth (M. Nunn & P. Riddiford) 3 & 1.

Moor Pk (J. Pendered & S. Wyner) bt East Herts (P. Brooke & M. Hall) 7 & 5; Calcot Pk (A. McLaren & W. Henney) bt Croham Hurst (S. Clark & S. Brock) 5 & 4; Maidenhead (C. Duffy & M. Ackers) bt Sonning (D. Kemp & T. Smith) 19th; Thorpe Hall (H. Littler & F. Ginn) bt Gerrards Cross (D. Annan & P. McNairn) 1 hole.

Rochford Hundred (P. Jackson & M. King) bt Reading (T. Crew & S. Morrisey) 3 & 2; Mannings Hth (R. Petzold & G. Walls) bt Ryl M'd Surrey (Eckstein & S. Tredinick) 4 & 3; Nevill (A. Orbell & E. McCarty) bt Woodcote Pk (M. Riders & P. Molonchney) 3 & 2; Wentworth (S. Hayward & C. Lennies) bt Coombe Hill (S. Cohen & G. Chefras) 4 & 3.

Harpenden (H. Kave & A. Pyke) bt Piner Hill (J. Heward & E. Clark) 6 & 4; Porters Pk (M. Hall & R. Watters) bt Beaconsfield (J. Warren & M. Bartlett) 2 & 1; Tandridge (C. Bailey & P. Brown) bt Ashridge (S. Aylwin & B. Silver) 3 & 2; Worplesdon (O. Bassinghthwaite & G. Tuller) bt Ashford Manor (L. Bruen & R. Pyke) 6 & 5.

3rd Rd: Hindhead bt Banstead Downs 2 & 1; Thorndon Pk bt St George's Hill 6 & 5; Moor Pk bt Calcot Pk 4 & 2; Maidenhead bt Thorpe Hall 6 & 4.

Rochford Hundred bt Mannings Hth 9 & 8; Wentworth bt Nevill 2 & 1; Harpenden bt Porters Pk 7 & 6; Tandridge bt Worplesdon 2 & 1.

Table Tennis

FRENCH ARE CONFIDENT

FRANCE, the European table tennis champions, are banking on a change of tactics to take them to further glory in the world championships, which start in Gothenburg, Sweden, today.

Regis Canor, their captain, who guided France to the European men's team crown in Moscow last year, is confident his team will do well in their Group B programme which opens against England.

The French face testing opposition from Sweden and Japan in their qualifying section, but avoid world champions China, who are in Group A.

Secretin holds key

Canor, who was in charge when France finished eighth in the previous world championships in Tokyo two years ago, said the improved form and confidence of their veteran player, Jaques Secretin, could hold the key to their prospects.

"Secretin changed his tactics after Moscow," he said. "He tended to be too defensive in that event, but now gets closer to the table."

Bowls

Sullivan fortunate to defeat Smillie

By OUR BOWLS CORRESPONDENT

TERRY SULLIVAN, of Wales, the indoor bowls world champion, hovered near defeat in his opening match of the Croft Original British Open at the Morrison Hall, Darlington.

Losing the first set to Alastair Smillie, of Scotland, he raced the second without losing a shot, but was forced to use drives in breaking up some of Smillie's groupings in the final set.

Slightly fortunate on one or two occasions, Sullivan did not let this affect his normal calm and on the last end, he clustered two bowls on the jack.

Now it was Smillie's turn to use force and his first attempt to break up the head whistled very closely by his target. His last effort was well off line, however, leaving Sullivan the winner 6-7, 7-0, 7-6.

Complete master

David Bryant's mastery of sets scoring bowls, was evident in his two set defeat of Russell Evans, a former world triples championship bronze medallist.

Evans is well known for his calmness and competitiveness and he had displayed his strength in the sets again when he beat Jim Baker the indoor world champion in the UK Championship last November.

Yet he was never in the game yesterday against Bryant who showed exceptionally good return, following some thoughtful practice on Tuesday. Whether drawing to the jack or using promotional or take-out shots, Bryant maintained command, taking only 11 ends to remove Evans, with a score of 7-3, 7-1.

BRITISH OPEN INDOOR CH'SHIP (Darlington). — 1st Rd: C. Simpson (England) bt B. Duncan (Crown Green) 7-1, 7-3; D. Bryant (England) bt R. Evans (Wales) 7-3, 7-1; T. Sullivan (Wales) bt A. Smillie (Scotland) 6-7, 7-0, 7-6.

PRESTON (Brighton) OPEN TRIPLES.—3rd Rd: M. Yeomanson (Angel) 24, L. Fare (Preston) 4—A. Denley (Wey Valley) 25, G. P. Knight (Preston) 18—M. Pollard (Burgess H.ll) 17, W. Plummer (Preston) 16.

WORTHING OPEN FOURS.—3rd Rd: D. Dean's (Victoria) 18, J. Cripps (Arun) 16—A. Clarke (Preston) 29, F. Bennett (Worthing) 10—E. Taylor (Arun) 23, P. Harrington (Arun) 9.

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ATHLETICS

ARROW NEWCASTLE CITY CENTRE 5K ROAD RACE.—D. Lewis (Rossendale) 13m 32·7s, 1; E. Martin (Basildon) 13-32·7, 2; N. Muir (Shettleston) 13-34, 3.

Snooker

HUGHES PUTS OUT REARDON

By JANICE HALE

EUGENE HUGHES, already certain of improving his 27th position in the world snooker rankings, recorded a 5-0 whitewash over Ray Reardon to reach the quarter-finals of the Benson and Hedges Irish Masters at Goffs, Kill, Co Kildare, yesterday.

Coupled with his part in Ireland's success in last week's Guinness World Team Cup, the result must give Hughes confidence for the Embassy World Professional Championship, qualifying for which starts at Preston tomorrow.

A 66 clearance helped Hughes—now based at Kings Cross snooker centre, London—take the first frame and a break of 59 helped him win the fifth. However, the second and fourth frames were both on the black.

Reardon missed the pink in the second frame, but looked set to take the fourth before losing position on the blue when 17 points ahead. Later he went in-off the blue and Hughes potted blue, pink and black to lead 4-0. Hughes' next opponent will be Steve Davis, the title-holder.

Midway through the third frame, Reardon opted to wear a green eye shield to protect his eyes from the glare of the television lights. In two previous tournaments he had played in spectacles—an experiment he has abandoned for the time being.

1ST RD.—E. Hughes (Dublin) bt R. Reardon (Stoke) 5-0. Frames: 75-26, 64-62, 87-2, 63-57, 77-38.

J. White (Wimbledon) bt T. Meo (Morden) 5-1. Frames: 83-0, 92-31, 73-51, 64-35, 28-73, 97-4.

GOLF

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United States Golf

TPC blossoming out of water

By MICHAEL WILLIAMS in Ponte Vedra Beach, Florida

JERRY PATE put the Tournament Players' Championship on the map in 1982 when it was first held at the new Players' Club headquarters course, which is just across the road from Sawgrass, in Ponte Vedra Beach.

He celebrated his victory by throwing both Peter Dye, the course architect, and Dean Beaman, the PGA Tour commissioner, into the lake beside the 18th green.

It was, undoubtedly, something of a publicity stunt to mark a new event at a permanent new venue, but these days the TPC tournament, with its huge prize money, needs no stunts.

The tournament starts today with £763,000 in prize money, more than each of the world's four major championships—the Open, United States Open, Masters and PGA.

Mercifully, money is not quite everything, but the TPC is nevertheless a cut above the weekly grind of United States tour events, not least because this, the first of the stadium-built courses, stands high among examples of modern golf course architecture.

Just as Cypress Point is famous for its 16th hole, a par three across an inlet of the Pacific, so has the Players Club quickly become notorious for its short 17th with its island green in the middle of a lake.

Even at a mere 132 yards it remains not the most popular hole among the professionals, because there is no "safe" shot.

It is "all or nothing," or to be more accurate "all or plenty." Last year, when the wind blew, 60 or more tee-shots plummeted to the depths of the lake on the first day.

Now a further terror has been added. The 16th, a par five, has had its green extended to the edge of the same lake, which should ensure a few deep breaths for anyone contemplating the big second shot.

Seve Ballesteros has returned from a one-week rest after his victory in New Orleans, and also in the field are Bernhard Langer, Nick Faldo, Sandy Lyle and Ken Brown.

Lyle has been re-united with a driver he asked to be sent out from England and it was delivered by the assembling British Press contingent.

After all the talk of analysing of Lyle's new interlocking grip, which won him pots of money at the end of last season, it is amusing to find that he had now gone back to his customary overlap and is getting more flight again to his iron shots.

This is his ninth week on the United States Tour, he is within £425 of becoming a fully-fledged member and is grateful, therefore, for the special invitation he got this week. There were only two. The other went to Arnold Palmer.

Prize increased in World Cup

The International Golf Association, organisers of the World Cup, have trebled their prize money to around £700,000 for this year's competition at La Quinta, California, from Nov 28-Dec 1.

This is a spirited response to the new Dunhill Cup, a £1 million international team event to be held at St Andrews in October. In both events the winning team will receive £100,000 a man.

Zimbabwe Open

BRAND TIPPED AS FAVOURITE

By RICHARD JAMES in Harare, Zimbabwe

GORDON BRAND JNR has signed a declaration that he will not play again in South Africa and starts favourite to win the £55,000 Zimbabwe Open, which begins at the Royal Harare course today.

The Anglo-Scot's name has been taken off the United Nations blacklist of players who have competed on the Sunshine Circuit, and he is now acceptable on the lucrative and less competitive Safari tour in East and West Africa.

Court clear

Brand junior says he may well play next year in Nigeria, where prize money totals £120,000. But he cannot make any serious impact on the Safari order of merit, which will be finalised on Sunday.

The leader, Bill Longmuir, with £25,717 pounds, by-passes the event as does the third-placed Brian Waites, the winner in Ndola. That leaves the coast clear for David Jagger, second with £18,784.

The beautifully manicured par-72 course flanking the residences of Prime Minister Mugabe and President Banana is playing its full 7,000 yards after heavy rains.

Sunningdale Foursomes

Holders march on as women make mark

By LEWINE MAIR

DESPITE the handicap cuts and heavy conditions, the women so far are making much the same impact on the Sunningdale Open Foursomes as they did a year ago.

Mary McKenna and Maureen Garner, the holders, are through to the last 16, as are two other all-women partnerships in Laura Davies and Beverley New and Nicola McCormack and Patricia Johnson.

Miss McKenna and Mrs Garner wrapped up their morning match against the father and son combination of John and Paul Napier on the 10th green with the score nine and eight.

Nothing would go right for the Napiers so, for the sake of family unity, it was maybe a blessing that the two were equally to blame.

The news that the Irish women had won in so devastating a manner had many of the men anxiously checking their position in the draw.

Torrance relieved

Indeed, even Sam Torrance was heard to exclaim: "Thank God," when he learned how he and John O'Leary were in no danger of meeting Miss McKenna and Mrs Garner before the final.

The holders' afternoon opponents, however, turned out to be an intrepid pair .. Neil Wichelow and Paul Glozier, both professionals, who played magnificently to be one up mounting the 12th tee.

The Irish women won the next in a five net four to draw level and, after what they felt to be a couple of lucky breaks, went on to sign off with a net birdie at the 17th which took in the best shot either had hit all day.

The 17th was not less memorable for Miss Davies and Miss New. One up, having been two, Miss Davies hit the perfect drive, only for her opponent to observe that she had played out of turn.

Great glee

They suggested there should be a penalty shot, but Miss New, who knows her rules well, pointed out that all they could do was recall the drive. This they did.

Whereupon Miss Davies, to the women's great glee, simply unleashed a still more majestic tee-shot. They halved that hole and went on to win this rather edgy affair with a masculine four down the 404-yard 19th.

Miss McCormack and Miss Johnson, who played with great heart throughout yesterday, meet David Huish and Gillian Stewart for a place in the quarter-finals today.

Sunningdale details

2nd Rd (Old course).—R. Tickner & A. Rees (Foxhills) bt A. Barr & J. Nudds (Gerrards Cross) 21st.

3rd Rd (Old course).—J. Baldwin (Ryl Eastbourne) & J. Hawksworth (Ryl Lytham) bt A. Partridge (Moor Hall) & C. Baycock (Kings Norton) 7 & 6; G. Bothwell & R. Willison (Ealing) bt P. Taylor (Tyrrells Wood) & M. Vickery (unatt.) 6 & 5; S. Geddes & G. Pearce (Worthing) bt S. Hawkins & N. Blenkarne (Salisbury & S. Wilts) 1 hole; A. Hill & K. Hayward (Fulford Hth) bt K. Macdonald (Goodwood) & R. Cameron (Barnehurst) 5 & 3.

F. Parkin (Newtown) & Miss J. Pool (N Hants) bt S. Smith & D. Hamilton-Martin (Sudbury) 1 hole; J. O'Leary (unatt.) & S. Torrance (unatt.) bt B. Beard & D. Honan (Sudbury) 3 & 1; P. Brown (Hampstead) & S. Hoatson (Effingham) bt A. Hare & M. Dabney (Sleaford) 3 & 1; R. Newberry & P. Snow (Shooters Hill) bt W. Marchbank & A. White (Gleneagles) 5 & 3.

C. Burgess (Fleetwood) & K. Davies (Ellesmere Port) bt G. Harris & C. Hawkins (Worcs) 3 & 2; Miss L. Davies (W. Byfleet) & Miss B. New (Lansdown) bt R. Truman & A. Pottinger (Welwyn Gdn City) 7 & 5; M. King & M. Devetta (Sunningdale) bt R. Moore & M. Symonds (Tavistock) 3 & 2; J. Robson & G. Marks (Betchworth Pk) bt N. Lawrence (Harpenden) & A. Clark (Old Ford Manor) 1 hole.

Miss N. McCormack (Porters Pk) & Miss P. Johnson (Pyle) bt R. Peters & A. Pritchard (Huddersfield) 2 & 1; S. Paterson (Bushill) & K. Macpherson (Walton Hth) bt P. Hodgson & D. Rollo (Cirencester) 19th; D. Huish (N. Berwick) & Miss G. Stewart (Claremont) bt M. Lawrence & R. Lawrence (Sundridge Pk) 5 & 4; N. Tokeley (Broadstone) & M. Boggia (Moor Valley) bt P. Green (Crediton) & D. McClelland (unatt.) 2 holes.

3rd rd (New course). — K. Macdonald & F. Anderson (Berks) bt K. Hinton & M. Jarvis (Heald) 3 & 2; B. Gallacher & P. Garner (Wentworth) bt M. Palmer & M. Belsham (Ryl Cinque Ports) 1 hole; A. McLean (Ferndown) & N. Cameron (Cardross) bt S. Livermore & J. Puzio (Carlton-on-Sea) ret after 9 holes; T. Forzell & P. Curry (Braintree) bt A. Bagnall & P. Lowery (Sunningdale) 8 & 6.

N. Wichelow (Uxbridge) & P. Glozier (Ruislip) bt A. Stevens & P. Harwick (Datchet) 5 & 4; Mrs M. Garner (Portmarnock) & Miss M. McKenna (Donabate) bt P. Napier (Effingham) & J. Napier (Kingswood) 9 & 8; J. Griffin & A. Chandler (Merton) bt D. Cooper (Fleetwood) & A. Waterhouse (Fleetwood Port) 3 & 2; R. Randall (Brickmoor) & P. Frogatt (Ryl St George's) bt S. Watkins (Hillborough) & G. Lowcliffe (Farnham) 4 & 3.

R. Brake & M. Squire (Calcot Pk) bt P. Carr & N. Burn (Sunningdale) 5 & 4; K. Valentine & T. Minshall (Hill Valley) bt C. McLachlan & G. McKay (Glenbervie) 3 & 2; L. Young (Southampton City) & H. Stott (Richmond Pk) bt J. Barrott (Ryl Ascot) & M. Reeves (Badgemore Pk) 6 & 5; M. Grieve (Tavistock) & R. Winchester (Sidmouth) bt D. Jones & L. Platts (Three Rivers) 2 holes.

Mrs J. Forrest (Clitheroe) & Miss M. Thomson (Morecambe) bt M. Landsborough (Walton Hth) & D. Hudspeth (Shirley Pk) 4 & 3; A. Reynolds (Ryl Cinque Ports) & A. Hall (Blackmoor) bt N. Coles & G. Coles (St George's Hill) 19th.

J. Fisher (Brockenhurst Manor) & E. Debruin (Tyneley Pk) bt R. Tickner & A. Rees (Foxhills) 21st; J. Davies & Miss M. Scobling (Sunningdale) bt N. Webber & M. Collingbourne (Goring & Streatley) 1 hole.

4th rd (Old course).—Baldwin & Hawksworth bt Bothwell & Willison 1 hole; Hill & Hayward bt Geddes & Pearce 3 & 2; O'Leary & Torrance bt Parkin & Miss Pool 4 & 2; Brown & Hoatson bt Newberry & Snow 1 hole, Miss Davies & Miss New bt Burgess & Davies 19th; Robson & Marks bt King & Devetta 2 & 1; Miss McCormack & Miss Johnson bt Paterson & Macpherson 2 & 1; Polsh & Stewart bt Tokely & Boggia 4 & 3.

Gallacher & Garner bt Macdonald & Anderson 6 & 5; McLean & Cameron bt Forzell & Curry 2 & 1; Mrs Garner & Miss McKenna bt Wichelow & Glozier 2 & 1; Griffin & Chandler bt Randall & Frogatt 2 & 1.

Valentine & Minshall bt Brake & Squire 3 & 1; Young & Stott bt Grieve & Winchester 2 & 1; Reynolds & Hall bt Mrs Forrest & Miss Thomson 2 holes; Davies & Miss Scobling bt Fisher & De Bruin 5 & 4.

OTHER SPORT TODAY

BOWLS.—Croft Original British Open (Darlington, 12): Cambs v Suffolk (Haverhill & Risbygate, 2.30).

CURLING.—Air Canada Silver Broom (Kelvin Hall, Glasgow, 1 & 7.30).

GOLF.—Sunningdale Ladies Foursomes; London Ladies Foursomes (Hindhead).

LAWN TENNIS.—L.T.A. Winter Series Finals (Telford); Farmer Spring T'ment (Queen's Club, Kensington).

RACKETS.—Public Schools Doubles (Queen's Club, West Kensington).

REAL TENNIS. — Geo. Wimpey Amateur Singles (Queen's Club, West Kensington).

SNOOKER.—Benson & Hedges Irish Masters (Goffs, Co. Kildare).

SPEEDWAY (7.30). — Premiership: Ipswich v Cradley Heath. Challenge: Sheffield v Belle Vue; Middlesbro v Long Eaton. Arms Essex: Radio Ch'ship.

County Prospects

TEST DUTY HOLDS KEY AT LORD'S

By DOUG IBBOTSON

THE recognition that at least three, and perhaps five, Middlesex players could be summoned to Test duty conditions the county's expectations, though not its aspirations, for the coming season.

In the prospective absence of Mike Gatting, Paul Downton, Norman Cowans, Phil Edmonds and, possibly, John Emburey, much will depend on the form and fitness of the experienced remainder and the instant maturity of youthful replacements.

Though, of the likely Test candidates, only Gatting is a specialist batsman, his outstanding contribution to last season's championship campaign—1998 runs; average 66·6—will remind Keith Tomlins and the other upper-order contenders of their responsibilities.

Wilf Slack, Graham Barlow, Roland Butcher and Clive Radley have all seen at least 30 summers and opportunities will inevitably arise for young newcomers, including Mike Roseberry (18) from Durham, a prolific run-scorer at School and Young England levels, and Andrew Harwood (21) a left-hand opener from Buckinghamshire.

Golden opportunity

However, given that the batting can realise its full potential, what most militates against a full-blooded challenge for the County Championship title is the possible diversion of the Edmonds-Emburey partnership, arguably the best spin-bowling combination in the campaign.

In Wayne Daniel, Neil Williams and Simon Hughes, Middlesex have cover for the possible absence of Cowans, yet the adequate replacement of Edmonds and Emburey "from stock" is unlikely.

Nevertheless their absence would present a golden opportunity, perhaps, for Philip Tufnell (18) a slow left-arm exponent who topped the county's Second XI averages last season.

In view of such projections, cynics might suggest that Middlesex should concentrate on strengthening their grip on the NatWest Trophy—the last two stages of which take place after the final Test. Gatting and his men, however, have far more positive ambitions.

Captain: M. Gatting.
Secretary: T. Lamb.
Venues: Lord's; Uxbridge.
Arrivals: M. Roseberry, P. Tufnell, G. Brown, N. MacLaurin, A. Harwood.
Departures: R. Ellis, C. Cook, K. James.

One-Day International

RAIN CHECKS WEST INDIES

By TONY COZIER in Port of Spain, Trinidad

NEW ZEALAND were struggling desperately to recover from a calamitous start when heavy rain interrupted their second one-day international against the West Indies at Queen's Park Oval, Port of Spain, yesterday.

Sent in by Richards, New Zealand lost their first three wickets to Davis with only nine scored, were confined to 13 for three from their first 12 overs but managed to reach 51 for three off 22 overs when the rain came.

They owed their revival to Martin Crowe, who took 24 deliveries to score his first run but then found his touch, and Coney who played with his usual steadiness.

The sudden downpour, after a warm, sunny start to the day, was a disappointment to a crowd of 25,000 packing the West Indies' largest ground.

Preferred to Holding

They saw Davis demolish the top order of the New Zealand batting after Richards had preferred him to Holding as Garner's new ball partner.

He had Wright and Rutherford caught behind and cramped Crowe for room as he mistimed a hook and skied a catch to mid-wicket.

The rain continued into the afternoon and water collected on the outfield.

NEW ZEALAND

J. G. Wright, c Dujon, b Davis	5
K. R. Rutherford, c Dujon, b Davis	2
J. J. Crowe, c Richards, b Davis	0
M. D. Crowe, not out	20
J. V. Coney, not out	19
Extras (lb 1, w 1, nb 3)	5
22 overs. Total (3 wkts, inn closed)	51

Fall of wickets: 1-6, 2-9, 3-9.

To bat: G. P. Howarth, I. D. S. Smith, R. J. Hadlee, B. L. Cairns, G. B. Troup, E. J. Chatfield.

Bowling: Garner 6-?-6-0; Davis 6-2-7-3; Holding 5-0-15-0; Baptiste 5-0-21-0.

WEST INDIES.—*I. V. A. Richards, D. L. Haynes, R. B. Richardson, H. A. Gomes, A. L. Logie, †P. J. Dujon, R. A. Harper, E. A. E. Baptiste, M. A. Holding, J. Garner, W. W. Davis.

Umpires: C. A. Cumberbatch & Sadick Mohammed.

* Captain. † Wicketkeeper.

Horse Trials

KILCASHEL OUT OF BADMINTON

By ALAN SMITH

Kilcashel has developed a splint and will miss the Badminton three-day event next month for the second year running.

Richard Meade rode Kilcashel in the team that won the 1982 World championship, but their international success in Britain has been restricted by George Wimpey Ltd, the sponsors, usually agreeing to their horse being kept for championship attempts.

Last spring, Kilcashel missed Badminton while in reserve for the Olympics but then did not compete in the Games as he was under par. A spokesman for George Wimpey Ltd said yesterday: "May be our luck will change at the European championships at Burghley in September."

National Schools Rugby Sevens

Dark horses Neath win the day

By VICTOR SWAIN

Neath ... 20 pts, Nottingham ... 10

NEATH, one of the dark horses of the competition, won the open event of the Rosslyn Park National Schools Sevens at Roehampton yesterday on their first appearance in the tournament for 10 years.

They overcame Nottingham, who had never previously advanced beyond their group, by two goals and two tries to a goal and a try in a rousing final.

Despite the appalling state of the pitch, turned into a muddy morass by heavy rain, both teams produced good handling and magnificent tackling.

Neath looked to have established an unassailable lead of 14-0 by half-time, with well-worked tries by Williams, Jenkins and Davies, the latter converted by Williams.

Their clever handling and consistent support of the man with the ball contributed greatly to their high standard of play, which would have graced a final played in good conditions.

Nottingham, a powerful and positive side who excelled themselves at every stage of the event, fought back with second-half tries by Gardiner and Drew, the second being converted by Harding.

But a splendid try by Jones, who rounded the defence and scored behind the posts, for Williams to convert, ensured an outstanding success for the Welsh school.

With two unknowns in the final, and the defeat of the most successful sides in recent years—Millfield, Ampleforth, West Park—and with Reigate, Aylesbury, Llandovery and Bassaleg covering themselves with glory, the Open provided stimulating surprises.

Neath's toughest match was in overcoming the heroic tackling and skilful play of Reigate with a last-minute try in the corner. They disposed of Millfield, winners in 1982-3, with comparative ease in the quarter-finals.

Nottingham's passage to the final was even more convincing. They defeated Aylesbury and Llandovery without being seriously challenged.

The trophy was presented to the winners by David Frost chairman of the Rugby Union Writers' Club.

Nottingham.—T. Bont (R. Drew, 5), A. Jenkin-Jones, A. Bailey, A. Floyd, G. Harding, A. Horkin, D. Gardiner.

Neath.—S. Jones, J. Morgan, D. Williams, A. Thomas, K. Holfield, G. Davies, J. Jenkins.

Referee: R. Glass (London).

RESULTS

OPEN EVENT

Group D: Wirral 8, Duke of York's 4—Royal Belfast A 4, Sir John Fisher 8.
Group E: West Park 30, Magnus 6—Inod 6, Emanuel 0.
Group F: St Joseph's, Ipswich 4, Eltham Coll 10—Newcastle-u-Lyme 6, Hereford CS 14.
Group G: Cheshunt 4, Sevenoaks 8—Normanton 4, Llandovery 22.
Group H: St Anselm's 8, Bassaleg 4—King Henry VIII, Coventry 14, William Ellis 0.
Group I: Poynton 12, King's, Worcester 24—King William, IoM 4, Mount St Mary's 10.
Group J: Cardinal Wiseman 6, Queen Elizabeth 36—Latymer Upper 4, RGS, High Wycombe 10.
Bye Rnd: Campion 4, Nottingham 20.
Group Winners' KO, 6th Rnd: Nottingham 20, Chislehurst & Sidcup 4—Aylesbury 20, West Park 6—Llandovery 22, Eltham Coll 0—Bassaleg 12, King's, Worcester 4—Reigate 14, Belmont 12—Ampleforth 6, Rhyd Felen 4—Neath 26, Birkenhead 12—Millfield 10, RGS, Guildford 6.
Qtr-finals: Nottingham 18, Aylesbury 0—Llandovery 17, Bassaleg 6—Reigate 16, Ampleforth 6—Neath 24, Millfield 0.
Semi-finals: Nottingham 18, Llandovery 4—Neath 16, Reigate 12.
Final: Neath 20, Nottingham 10.

FESTIVAL T'MENT. — Group A: Stamford 8, Marlborough 12—Chiswick 6, Brighton 24—Bearwood 6, Marlborough 14—Brighton 16, Stamford 8—Stamford 16, Bearwood 4—Chiswick 10, Marlborough 14.
Brighton 34, Bearwood 0—Stamford 12, Chiswick 0.
Group B: Ipswich 0, Bedford Mod 26—Ryde 6, Blundells 28—Wimbledon 14, Bedford Mod 10—Blundells 16, Ipswich 6—Ipswich 14, Wimbledon 10—Ryde 18, Bedford Mod 6.
Blundells 16, Wimbledon 10—Ipswich 0, Ryde 20.
Group C: Douai 8, Cotton Coll. 4—Malvern 0, King's Taunton 20—Loughborough 4, Cotton Coll. 10—King's, Taunton 26, Douai 0—Douai 4, Loughborough 10—Malvern 16, Cotton Coll. 14.
King's Taunton 18, Loughborough 0—Douai 6, Malvern 8.
Group D: Trent 24, Ardingly 6—Hardon 8, Wellington Coll. 12—Cavendish 12, Ardingly 4—Wellington Coll. 18, Trent 18.
Trent 34, Cavendish 6—Hardon 10, Ardingly 4—Wellington Coll. 28, Cavendish 4—Trent 28, Hardon 0.
Group E: Epsom 30, Langley Park 4—Leys School 0, Christ's, Brecon 20—Christ's Hospital 12, Langley Park 4—Christ's, Brecon 12, Epsom 4.
Epsom 34, Christ's Hospital 0—Leys School 18, Langley Park 0.
Group F: Taunton 12, Greshams 10—Whitgift 16, Radley 14—Oakham 24, Greshams 0—Radley 14, Taunton 0.
Taunton 4, Oakham 14—Whitgift 24, Greshams 0.
Group G: Downside 4, Lord Williams 10—Wycliffe 0, Bedford 26—St Edward's (Oxon) 0, Lord Williams 26—Bedford 36, Downside 0.
Downside 8, St Edward's (Oxon) 0—Wycliffe 0, Lord Williams 26.
Group H: Haberdashers A 12, St John's, Leatherhead 12—Worcester 22, Wellington School 8—Cranleigh 18, St John's, Leatherhead 4—Wellington School 4, Haberdashers A 18.
Haberdashers A 4, Cranleigh 16—Worcester 12, St John, Leatherhead 8.
Group I: Luton VI Form 4, Colford 28—Oratory 8, Churchers 18—Queen's Taunton 10, Colford 4—Churchers 20, Luton VI Form 4.
Luton VI Form 0, Queen's Taunton 20—Oratory 10, Colford 10.
Group J: Prior Park 0, Monmouth 26—Kingswood 4, Wellingborough 12—St George's, Weybridge 14, Monmouth 8—Wellingborough 6, Prior Park 0.
Prior Park 6, St George's, Weybridge 14—Kingswood 0, Monmouth 22.

ETON FIVES

HOLMWOODS SCHOOLS CH'SHIP (Highgate).—Open, 2nd Rd: King Edward's I bt Berkhamsted II 3-0; Camp Hill I bt Shrewsbury V 3-0; Wolverhampton VI bt Berkhamsted IV 3-0; Wolverhampton I bt Highgate III 3-0; Shrewsbury I bt Highgate II 3-1; Wolverhampton III bt Berkhamsted I 3-0; Berkhamsted III bt Eton I 3-2; Highgate I bt Hampton VII 3-0.
Qtr-finals: King Edward's I bt Camp Hill I 3-0; Wolverhampton I bt Wolverhampton VI 3-0; Shrewsbury I bt Wolverhampton III 3-1; Highgate I bt Berkhamsted III 3-0.
PREPARATORY SCHOOLS CH'SHIPS (Harrow).—Final: Sunningdale bt Aysgarth.

HOCKEY RESULTS

BRITISH UNIVS MEN'S GROUP T'MENT (Southampton Univ).—Semi-finals: UAU I 4, Scotland 1—N. Ireland 0, London 1. Place matches: Oxford 3, Wales 1—Cambridge 4, UAU II 2.
FRIENDLY. — Bk of England 2, Stock Exchange 1.

SCHOOLS RUGBY RECORDS

	W	D	L	F	A
Abingdon	6	0	4	176	118
Allhallows	2	0	12	108	203
Ampleforth	8	0	4	183	115
Ashville	6	1	11	180	390
Austin Frs	8	0	8	189	161
Bablake	11	3	2	335	137
Bancrofts	3	0	6	57	142
Bearwood	5	5	2	122	100
Bedford	6	1	2	126	8[illegible]
Bedford Mod	2	0	10	88	151
Belmont Ab	10	0	1	215	81
[illegible]	2	1	7	127	221
Bethany	2	0	9	100	152
Bp Veseys	6	8	6	193	180
Bp W[illegible]	6	0	5	285	157
B Stortford	10	0	4	180	93
Bloxham	12	1	4	341	181
Blundells	11	1	2	324	93
Brighton	11	1	2	275	82
Bristol GS	7	0	3	143	89
[illegible]	10	0	0	2[illegible]	54
Bromsgrove	10	1	2	2[illegible]	33
Broxbourne	4	2	6	1[illegible]	148
Bryanston	8	2	2	140	104
[illegible]	8	1	3	426	81
Campion	9	1	6	158	123
Cranford	6	1	12	111	240
[illegible]	11	1	1	42[illegible]	51
Caterham	14	0	1	3[illegible]	97
Cheltm Coll	8	1	5	410	26[illegible]
Cheltm GS	14	0	2	2[illegible]	22[illegible]
Cheshunt	6	1	8	279	143
Chichester HS	16	0	4	131	80
Chs St & S	8	1	4	13[illegible]	113
Christ Brn	6	0	7	132	118
Christ's Hos	5	2	5	132	160
Churchers	12	0	1	3[illegible]	77
Col of Lads F	13	1	6	371	18[illegible]
Colston	3	0	4	84	16[illegible]
Colfes	5	1	3	45	82
Cottons	4	0	7	88	181
Cranbrook	5	3	7	105	174
Cranleigh	5	1	4	203	8[illegible]
[illegible]	8	2	6	130	276
Culford	6	2	6	125	150
[illegible]	4	0	11	93	2[illegible]
Dean Close	2	0	7	1[illegible]	1[illegible]
Denstone	8	1	1	242	231
Dollar	6	1	4	83	13[illegible]
[illegible]	8	1	1	83	72
[illegible]	4	1	8	79	124
Downside	7	1	6	1[illegible]	161
Duke of York	5	1	2	138	76
Dulwich	8	1	7	186	158
Durham	12	2	2	4[illegible]	1[illegible]
Eastbourne	4	1	7	1[illegible]	1[illegible]
Elizabeth Cle	13	1	5	131	153
Eltham	13	1	8	2[illegible]	1[illegible]
Ellesmere	10	0	1	2[illegible]	2[illegible]
Emanuel	10	0	6	2[illegible]	2[illegible]
Forest Pk	8	0	0	323	37
Epsom	9	1	0	327	61
Eton	9	1	6	209	124
Foster Sch	8	1	5	73	173
Framlingham	1	0	10	73	149
Framlingham	2	2	8	85	2[illegible]
[illegible]	10	0	4	2[illegible]	2[illegible]
[illegible]	6	0	4	1[illegible]	1[illegible]
[illegible]	7	0	5	1[illegible]	1[illegible]
[illegible]	7	0	5	1[illegible]	1[illegible]
Guildford RGS	14	0	5	2[illegible]	151
[illegible]	10	1	5	1[illegible]	1[illegible]
H Aske Fls	12	1	1	2[illegible]	6[illegible]
B Aske Hm	3	1	7	88	204

	W	D	L	F	A
Hampton	14	0	3	314	134
H Wyc RGS	13	1	3	2[illegible]	12[illegible]
Hurstpierpoint	11	0	3	2[illegible]	107
Ipswich	10	0	6	260	1[illegible]
John Fisher	9	1	7	201	108
Judd	9	3	1	201	71
KCS Wimb	7	1	8	204	20[illegible]
[illegible]	7	1	6	1[illegible]	1[illegible]
King Col Cant	9	1	2	191	7[illegible]
K Eds Bm	15	0	4	412	122
K Ed VI CH	10	1	3	[illegible]	101
K Ed VI S	2	0	6	[illegible]	[illegible]
K Ed VI S	9	0	1	2[illegible]	[illegible]
K H VIII C	16	1	5	[illegible]	[illegible]
King's, B ton	8	1	3	[illegible]	12[illegible]
King's C'bry	7	2	5	147	12[illegible]
King's, Rch	1	0	9	49	180
King's, Tnn	9	1	1	[illegible]	[illegible]
Kingswood	5	0	8	129	1[illegible]
King's, Wc	18	1	0	473	82
L'fld Friry	13	0	1	574	85
Lindisfarne	4	0	11	119	157
L Wdsth	4	0	4	145	100
L Wll Tm	12	0	2	[illegible]	8[illegible]
Loughboro	8	0	8	210	183
[illegible]	12	0	0	2[illegible]	47
[illegible]	7	0	7	1[illegible]	1[illegible]
Mill Hill GS	17	1	1	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
St Albans	1	0	8	73	293

	W	D	L	F	A
St Bees	10	0	6	249	180
St Ben., Elg	8	1	4	2[illegible]	1[illegible]
St Col St A	11	0	2	2[illegible]	144
St Dst. Cld	7	0	8	134	198
St Ed. Ware	5	0	7	93	164
St Ed. Oxfd	4	1	6	88	121
St Geo Hpn	4	1	6	157	134
St Geo W	10	1	3	316	1[illegible]
St Jhns, Ld	9	1	8	34	115
St Jos Aln	13	1	1	415	1[illegible]
St Jos Ips	8	1	2	315	1[illegible]
St Law Rct	8	1	4	189	81
St Mary Sid	11	2	9	217	186
St Pet Yk	9	1	6	116	162
Seaford	4	1	6	166	2[illegible]
Sevenoaks	6	2	10	126	213
Sedbergh	7	1	2	147	59
Sherborne	9	0	4	330	102
Shrewsbury	7	4	1	186	74
Solihull	7	1	8	139	183
Sir Wm Bls	13	1	3	344	1[illegible]
Stamford	5	1	8	121	41
Stonyhurst	8	0	5	260	98
Stowe	6	1	5	159	148
Stn Valance	4	1	7	49	177
Taunton	6	1	7	174	154
The Leys	14	0	0	346	97
Tiffin	1	0	12	69	312
Trent	10	0	1	331	107
Trin, Croy	13	1	3	320	97
Truro	11	0	8	341	242
UCS Hmpsd	4	0	6	107	138
Uppingham	4	1	5	88	166
Verulam	14	0	3	547	133
[illegible] HS	15	1	2	320	95
Warw Sk	14	0	6	289	160
[illegible]	6	1	4	122	91
Welln Som	8	0	7	227	168
W Buckland	12	1	4	276	111
Whitgift	7	1	7	187	182
Wm Ellis	3	1	12	214	278
Woodbridge	14	2	8	4[illegible]	1[illegible]
Worc RGS	13	2	4	383	170
Worksop	4	1	10	107	348
Worth	3	1	3	73	85
Wrekin	2	0	12	139	287
Wymondham	8	0	4	186	110

SCOTLAND

	W	D	L	F	A
Aberdeen GS	1	0	9	66	358
[illegible] HS	9	1	0	210	177
Dollar Acd	10	0	5	707	161
Edinbh Acd	14	0	0	419	75
Fettes Coll	8	1	5	193	175
Glasgow Acd	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	4[illegible]	178
Glenalmond	12	1	8	261	114
Gordonstoun	1	3	8	48	162
Heriot's	17	0	8	[illegible]	199
Hutchesons GS	11	0	6	171	161
Kelvinside Acd	16	0	5	342	1[illegible]
Loretto	5	0	6	85	177
Merchiston Cs	11	1	11	2[illegible]	209
Morrison's Acd	13	0	4	447	86
Paisley GS	17	0	9	3[illegible]	174
Perth Acad	9	1	9	339	321
Royal H	15	0	7	410	245
Stewart's M	12	0	4	[illegible]	177
Strathallan	1	0	15	101	442
Watson Coll	13	0	6	547	171

World Cup Soccer

RUSH'S GOAL PUTS SCOTS ON RACK

By ROGER MALONE

Scotland ... 0, Wales ... 1

IAN RUSH'S superbly-taken first-half goal, the opening being made by the outstanding Mark Hughes, gave Wales the lead in a crucial World Cup qualifying match against Scotland at Hampden Park. It put the Scots on the rack.

For the 100th fixture between the two countries, going back to 1876, it soon became clear that Wales had decided that special attention was needed to stop Souness, the Scottish captain.

Phillips, the young Manchester City player, was given the task of following Souness everywhere, and his success in keeping the Scottish captain quiet helped Wales to earn a full share of possession in the first half.

Wales went into the match without a win at Hampden Park for 54 years, but they displayed tremendous determination.

Dalglish frustrated

Dalglish, seeking a 31st goal for his country to beat Denis Law's Scottish record, caused two crises in the Welsh box after he had shown his magic in leaving Jones stranded.

Each time, though, Dalglish's centres from the left did not find a team-mate—and twice Jackett cleared from the far side of the box.

Scotland's best work came from their left flank, where Albiston, Bett and Cooper gave Slatter a difficult time.

Yet after 35 minutes Wales went ahead.

Hughes made the opening, his strong heading against McLeish causing the ball to drop down, just outside the Scottish box.

Rush, sensing the opening, raced on to the ball in a flash, and struck a tremendous, rising volley into the fiitop left corner of Leighton's net, before the goalkeeper could move.

Scotland injected much more urgency as the second half opened and within a minute Johnston ought to have equalised.

Dalglish flicked the ball on, and Johnston accelerated away from Ratcliffe, cleverly touched the ball round the advancing Southall, but shot wide of the near post.

When Souness and Nicholas clashed in a fierce midfield contest for the ball, the Scottish captain appeared to do Nicholas further damage after the ball had been cleared.

Ratcliffe had to be restrained during a fracas involving several players, which ended with Belgian referee Alexis Ponnet booking both Souness and Nicholas.

Then Rush, Wales's hero, was booked for time wasting.

SCOTLAND. — Leighton (Aberdeen); Nicol (Liverpool), Albiston (Manchester Utd), Souness (Sampdoria), McLeish (Aberdeen), Miller (Aberdeen), Dalglish (Liverpool), McStay (Celtic), Johnston (Celtic), Bett (Lokeren), Cooper (Rangers).

WALES. — Southall (Everton); Slatter (Bristol Rovers), Jackett (Watford), Ratcliffe (Everton), Jones (Chelsea), Phillips (Manchester City), James (Q.P.R.), P. Nicholas (Luton), Rush (Liverpool), Thomas (Chelsea), Hughes (Manchester Utd).

The placings

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Scotland	3	2	0	1	6	2	4
Spain	3	2	0	1	5	3	4
Iceland	3	1	0	2	2	5	2
Wales	3	1	0	2	2	5	2

REMAINING FIXTURES. — April 30: Wales v Spain. May 28: Iceland v Scotland. June 12: Iceland v Spain. Sept. 10: Wales v Scotland. Sept. 25: Spain v Iceland.

Last night's games not included.

YUGOSLAVIA ARE BOOED

Yugoslavia were booed by their own fans after struggling to a 1-0 victory over Luxembourg in their World Cup Group Four match in Zenica yesterday.

The result was a big disappointment to the 30,000 crowd who were hoping for a glut of goals before next Wednesday's key clash against European champions France and they showed their feelings by applauding the stubborn part-timers.

Yugoslavia controlled most of the match, but found no way of penetrating the packed Luxembourg defence and adding to the only goal of the game, scored after 26 minutes, a header from Ivan Gudeli.

West Germany beat Malta 6-0 in a Group Two qualifying match in Saarbruecken. Rummenigge scored twice.

Belgium also won 2-0 against Greece in a Group One game before a 30,000 crowd.

WORLD CUP. — Group 1 qualif.: Belgium 2, Greece 0 (in Brussels).

GROUP 1

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Belgium	4	2	1	1	5	3	5
Poland	2	1	1	0	5	3	3
Albania	4	1	1	2	5	7	3
Greece	4	1	1	2	3	5	3

WORLD CUP.—Group 2 qualif.: W. Germany 6, Malta 0 (in Saarbruecken).

WORLD CUP.—Group 4 qualif.: Yugoslavia 1, Luxembourg 0.

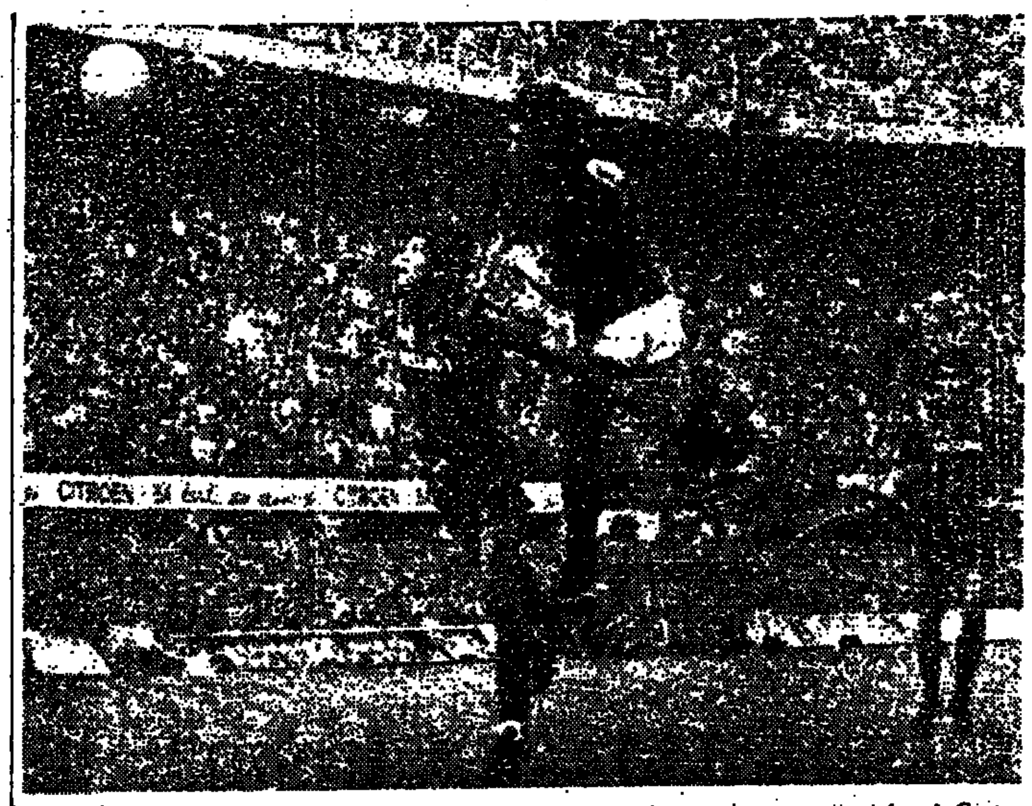
GROUP 4

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
France	3	3	0	0	7	0	6
Yugoslavia	3	2	1	0	4	2	5
Bulgaria	3	1	1	1	4	1	3
E. Germany	3	1	0	2	7	5	2
Luxembourg	4	0	0	4	0	14	0

EVERTON SIGN WILKINSON

Everton, determined to strengthen their squad for the final stages of the League championship race, last night paid £250,000 for Paul Wilkinson, Grimsby Town's England Under-21 striker.

One of three highly rated strikers at Grimsby—Gary Lund and Kevin Drinkell are the others—Wilkinson, 20, signed after a medical. He has scored 18 goals this season, and is second in the Second Division scoring lists.



Mark Hateley in typical action as he soars to score the winning goal for A.C. Milan in a recent derby with Inter-Milan.

JENNINGS SAVES THE DAY

By IAIN STEVENSON

Spain ... 0, N. Ireland ... 0

ARSENAL'S goalkeeper, Pat Jennings, celebrated his 109th British record-making appearance with a world-class performance as Northern Ireland held Spain to a goalless draw in Palma last night.

Spain went straight into the attack with frightening momentum.

Within four minutes Galego struck the crossbar from 30 yards and then Jennings, making a British record-breaking 109th appearance, stopped an overhead kick from Roberto.

TheS paniards looked in a different class at this stage—technically superior and possessing tremendous individual skill.

Northern Ireland's back four and midfielders, including Whiteside, were given a gruelling testing but they managed to hold out.

Gordillo to fore

Their first attack came after 16 minutes, a build-up between Hamilton and Quinn with Armstrong, playing before his home crowd, won a corner after challenging Alberto.

Most of the Spanish menace came from Gordillo on the left wing. Every time he gained possession the Irish defence struggled. It was from one of his corners that Maceda headed the ball down for Clos to volley against O'Neill.

The final 10 minutes were incredible as Jennings repeatedly came to the rescue with unbelievable saves. Spanish midfielder Gioceechea also hit the bar with a header. But the Irish held out for a draw on a night which belonged to Jennings.

SPAIN.—Arconada; Gerardo, Alberto, Maceda, Goicoechea, Gordillo, Senor, Roberto, Butragueno, Gallego, Clos.

N. IRELAND.—Jennings (Arsenal); Nicholl (WBA), McClelland (Watford), O'Neill (Leicester), Donaghy (Luton), Armstrong (Real Mallorca), Ramsey (Leicester), Whiteside (Man. Utd), Stewart (QPR), Hamilton (Oxford), Quinn (Blackburn).

WIMBLEDON IN CHARGE

By A Special Correspondent

Wimbledon ... 4, Shrewsbury ... 0

SHREWSBURY, attempting their fourth away win of the season, went quickly in arrears at Wimbledon, who, despite conceding 16 goals in four consecutive defeats, took the lead after 21 minutes through Sanchez.

Downes sent a long pass, Fishenden flicked on, and Sanchez hundled the ball past Shrewsbury's defence, before firing past Perks.

In the 35th minute, Sayer broke through, only to be brought down by Perks, but the referee allowed play to go on, and Evans slotted the ball into an open net.

Shortly before half-time, Shrewsbury's Griffin and Wimbledon's Fishenden were booked for fighting.

Sanchez again

Shrewsbury rallied but in the 52nd minute, Sayer volleyed in Winterburn's right-sided corner at the far post, and on the hour, Sanchez netted his second of the night.

Sayer flicked on, and Sanchez twisted sideways to volley past Perks.

In the 67th minute, Shrewsbury replied when Robinson seized on a mistake by Downes, to shoot past Beasant.

Wimbledon.—Beasant; Kay, Winterburn, Galliers, Gayle, Smith, Evans, Fishenden, Sayer, Downes, Sanchez.

Shrewsbury.—Perks; Williams, Johnson, MacLaren, Griffin, Petts, McNally, Hackett, Stevens, Robinson, Tester.

Rugby League

FULHAM WANT KIWIS TO STAY

Fulham have asked the New Zealand Rugby League to extend clearance for Takurua Tawera, Glen Townsend and Ivan Kete until the end of the season. The three New Zealanders are due to play their final match for Fulham at York on Sunday.

Meanwhile Fulham's second division match against Whitehaven on April 14 will be held at Wealdstone, of the Gola soccer League because their other venues, Crystal Palace and Chiswick, are unavailable.

England can begin to spread wings

By DONALD SAUNDERS

NOW England have won two consecutive matches against teams also drawn largely from Football League clubs, they can resume the more important task of widening their experience of true international football in Europe and Latin America.

The collection of two World Cup qualifying points in Northern Ireland last month obviously was of value, and victory over the Republic of Ireland in this week's friendly at Wembley will have further bolstered the squad's confidence.

Yet these games will have done little to prepare England for the difficulties they inevitably will encounter as they endeavour to reach the World Cup finals and strive to succeed on arrival in Mexico.

Qualifying ties

The immediate task is to earn as many points as possible from qualifying ties in Rumania and Finland next month. Two would be enough to keep them on course, three would allow them to feel reasonably confident of going to Mexico and four would almost certainly assure them of making the trip.

That, it should be emphasised, is only the first and easier part of the job: the real test will come when they have to compete for points against opponents of the quality of Italy, West Germany, France, Brazil, Uruguay and Argentina in the heat and humidity of Mexico in the finals.

As Bobby Robson, their manager, admitted yesterday they will have to improve by 25 per cent on their present best to achieve their ultimate objective of winning the trophy.

Fewer than half the 30-or-so men Mr Robson is likely to consider during the next 12 months have experience of playing against top-class international opposition; none has first-hand knowledge of the strains of World Cup football in trying climatic conditions.

Their education begins in earnest this summer in Mexico City, when England test themselves against Italy, the world champions, West Germany, runners-up in Spain, and Mexico, next year's hosts, before rounding off their tour with a friendly in the United States.

Next year's plan

"This tour is important," emphasised Mr Robson yesterday. "For a start, I can sort out those who are going to get homesick. I shall try to pick the people with the most skill, talent and imagination, together with fitness, the right attitude and character."

Next year, assuming England qualify, as many players as possible will—in the words of their manager—"catch the first plane West after 4.40 pm on the last day of the League programme (May 3)."

Men involved in the FA Cup final or European competitions will be left to join the squad in Mexico for the last stage of preparation for the finals, which begin on May 31.

"Everything else in the players' lives should be dismissed when it comes to the World Cup," emphasised the manager. "It is a rare chance in a short career. I have told my wife not to expect to see me this summer or next. I have told the players to tell their wives the same."

Villa fail to inspire dwindling crowds

By MIKE BEDDOW

Aston Villa ... 2, Stoke City ... 0

ASTON VILLA, having gambled on playing two wingers and two central strikers, had to rely on an own goal to break Stoke City's resistance after an unconvincing performance at Villa Park last night.

The alarming decline in Villa support reached a new landmark—the lowest League attendance for at least 19 years. Fewer than 11,000 spectators were in the ground at the kick off time.

The quality of Villa's football matched the depressing atmosphere. They were fortunate not to fall behind after 90 seconds when Painter launched the first of three first half raids which caught Villa flatfooted.

Robust defending by Berry and Bould enabled Stoke to live in hope of their first victory since Boxing Day. Villa were haphazard in their attacks and incapable of troubling the bottom club's defence in the first half.

Mistakes jeered

Walters, who scored for the England Under-21 team on Monday, had a particularly unfortunate time. His mistakes were jeered by the crowd and his brighter moments usually ended with rough treatment by Bould.

Villa eventually imposed some authority on the game, but Withe was no nearer to ending his run of 17 games without a goal when be failed to profit from a perfectly placed centre by Six.

Withe at least had the satisfaction of creating a breakthrough for Villa after 71 minutes, hitting in a low cross which was deflected for a own goal by Berry. The Frenchman, Six, then drove home a second after 86 minutes.

Aston Villa.—Spink; Williams, Dorigo, Evans, Ormsby, McMahon, Six, Rideout, Withe, Gibson, Walters, sub Walker.

Stoke City.—Siddall; Bould, Callaghan, Dodd, Dyson, Berry, Painter, McIlroy, Heath, Hemming, Parkin, sub Beeston.

TODAY'S GAMES

Kick-off 7.30 unless stated

GOLA LGE. — Bob Lord Trophy, Semi-finals: Enfield v Maidstone, Runcorn v Altrincham.

CENTRAL LGE (7).—Div. 1: Derby v Sheffield Wed., Newcastle v Huddersfield, Stoke v N. Forest.

FOOTBALL COMB.—Charlton Res v Southampton Res (2).

SOUTHERN LGE.—Southern Div.: Canterbury v Dunstable.

SOUTHERN JUNIOR FLOODLIT CUP. — 3rd Rd, 2nd Replay: Portsmouth v Aston Villa (7).

SOUTH EAST COUNTIES LGE.— Div. II Cup, semi-final: Swindon v Brighton.

SERVOWARM ISTHMIAN LGE. — Premier Div.: Bognor v Hendon (7.45). Div. 1: Hornchurch Wood v Staines, Leatherhead v Bromley, St Albans v Met Police, Wembley v Hertford. Div. II North: Harrow v Finchley, Royston v Cheshunt, Wolverton v Leyton-W. Hitachi Cup, 4th Rd: Wycombe v Harrow, Semi-finals: Sutton v Farnborough.

SCHOOLS.—Clement Dawes Trophy, Semi-final: Suffolk v Inner London.

RUGBY UNION.—Britain's Rosslyn Park Nat. Sevens-Junior Festival (10.30).

LAWN TENNIS

MILAN GRAND PRIX.—1st rd: T. Smid (Czechoslovakia) bt C. Panatta (Italy) 6-3, 7-5; A. Jarryd (Sweden) bt S. Colombo (Italy) 6-3, 6-4. 2nd rd: J. Nadra (US) bt P. Slozil (Czechoslovakia) 6-1, 6-4; H. Leconte (France) bt H. Gunthardt (Switzerland) 6-1, 6-0.

CHALLENGE ROUND WOMEN'S EVENT (Palm Beach, Florida).—1st rd: P. Delhees-Jauch (Switzerland) bt C. Benjamin (US) 7-5, 6-2; B. Herr (US) bt K. Nelson (US) 6-2, 6-3; S. Goles (Yugoslavia) bt T. Bowman (US) 6-4, 6-1; C. Karlsson (Sweden) bt L. McNeil (US) 6-1, 6-4; I. Budarova (Czechoslovakia) bt C. Suire (France) 7-5, 6-4; T. Phelps (US) bt K. Maleeva (Bulgaria) 6-1, 7-5; A. Smith (US) bt S. Solomon (US) 6-4, 6-4, 6-4.

Hateley promoted to European elite

By MICHAEL CALVIN

MARK HATELEY, a Second Division footballer less than a year ago, will become one of Europe's highest-paid players today when he agrees to devote himself to promoting A C Milan.

The England striker will add £200,000 to his basic annual salary of £100,000 by selling his advertising rights to the Italian club which signed him from Portsmouth last summer.

Bonuses will increase his earnings still further. Yet, for all the financial benefits, Hateley finds himself at the centre of a complicated sequence of proposed transfers involving Paolo Rossi and Ian Rush.

Guiseppe Farina, Milan's millionaire president, is confident of signing Rossi, Italy's World Cup winning striker, from Juventus to play alongside Hateley next season.

Juventus covet Hateley's aerial ability, and will get the chance to sign him after the 1986 World Cup finals because Farina insists Liverpool have offered him first option on the services of Rush when the Italian ban on foreign imports is relaxed.

Rumours refuted

Hateley insisted last night: "To suggest I am unhappy at AC Milan is nonsense. I don't want to leave the club and I have never wanted to do so.

"I am talking to the president about advertising because he wants to use me to promote AC Milan. I am sure we will sort something out."

Hateley will be expected to endorse products on behalf of the club in the manner of Karl-Heinz Rummenigge, who earns £200,000 a year for fronting Inter Milan's commercial activities.

Rush, meanwhile, intends to discuss his situation when he returns to Anfield today after playing for Wales at Hampden Park. He stresses that AC Milan's interest is "news to me."

Lineker lingers

Gary Lineker, the Leicester striker who is held in high regard at Liverpool, will not decide his future until his contract expires at the end of the season.

Elated by his goal-scoring Wembley debut for England, Lineker is not tempted by the prospect of joining the exodus from the Football League.

"The only real reason to go abroad is financial as far as I am concerned," he said. "I like playing in England but the last thing I want to do is rush things."

Leicester have offered him a new two-year deal, but the lure of joining one of the larger clubs will prove difficult to resist.

NIGHT OF GLOOM FOR BATH

By MICHAEL AUSTIN

Cheltenham ... 21 pts, Bath ... 10

NICK MASLEN, Bath's No. 8, was sent off as Cheltenham last night achieved their first win in the fixture for 13 years.

Maslen was dismissed after 53 minutes for stamping by Brian Riley, the Liverpool referee, but Cheltenham, bristling with commitment, were already leading 13-4 and looking potential winners.

Cheltenham, who won by a goal, three tries and a penalty goal to a try and two penalty goals, thrived on their back-row. After wobbling at 13-10 ahead, they finished with a two-try flourish.

Early try

Bath, having led 4-3 in four minutes when Trick's try overtook Boyle's 45-yard penalty goal, struggled to impose themselves as Jones and Bolye used Cheltenham's possession shrewdly.

Jones, the outside-half, made several telling breaks, but Scott, a flanker, was the most dynamic influence on a team performance which yielded four tries from White, Scott, Geenty and Jones.

Boyle for Cheltenham, and Palmer, for Bath, kicked their side's goals.

Cheltenham: P. Boyle; R. Bolton, A. White, P. Keegan, I. Lovatt; L. Jones, J. Little; P. Brown, S. Everall, N. Smart, P. Geenty, G. Brookes, S. Masters, C. Scott, D. Organ.

Bath.—J. Guscott; D. Trick, D. Padfield, A. Rees, B. Trevaskis; J. Palmer, C. Stanley; D. Sole, J. Deane, G. Chilcott, J. Morrison, R. Hakin, T. Collins, K. Withey, N. Maslen.

Referee: B. Riley (Liverpool).

Last Night's Rugby

ABERAVON FALL TO BRISTOL

By DAVID GREEN

Aberavon ... 6 pts, Bristol ... 17

BRISTOL and Aberavon, both engaged in rebuilding their teams, produced some lively rugby at the Talbot Athletic ground last night.

Bristol won deservedly by a goal, two tries and a penalty goal to two penalty goals.

Bristol, despite encouragement of Tainton's first-minute penalty when Aberavon's backs strayed offside under their posts, contrived in the early stages to waste ball provided by Blackmore's line-out mastery.

A dropped pass by Lane five yards out from Aberavon's line enabled Andrew Jones to back out into Bristol's half. Bristol then infringed at a line-out and Andrew Jones kicked a 30-yard penalty.

Wyatt try

Shortly afterwards, Andrew Jones, again hacking on a dropped Bristol pass, was tackled without the ball and kicked a simple penalty, but Bristol regained the lead with a try by Wyatt from a five-yard scrum, Tainton converting.

Aberavon, promoted by clever running from Giles, began to move the ball threateningly but shortly after the interval Bristol went further ahead through Lane.

Dean Jones dropped the ball on his own line and from the resultant scrum Wyatt and Harding sent Lane over in the corner.

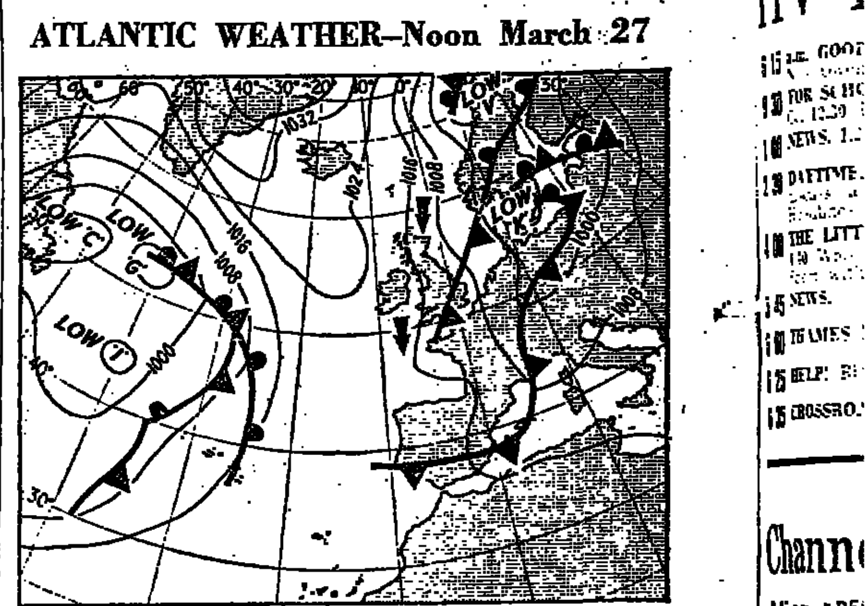
Bristol sealed victory with 10 minutes to go with a lovely try by Woodman from a line-out on Aberavon's 22.

Aberavon.—C. Bradshaw; D. Burgess, M. Thomas, D. Jones, R. Diplock; A. Jones, R. Giles; D. Joseph, G. Preddy, J. Manorek, L. Brown, A. Davies, T. Rees, P. Yardley, T. Fauvel.

Bristol.—D. Sorrell; J. Lane, D. Cooke, R. Knibbs, D. Woodman; M. Tainton, R. Harding; P. Stiff, K. Bogira, A. Sheppard, N. Pomphrey, A. Blackmore, M. Baker, J. Edgar, M. Wyatt.

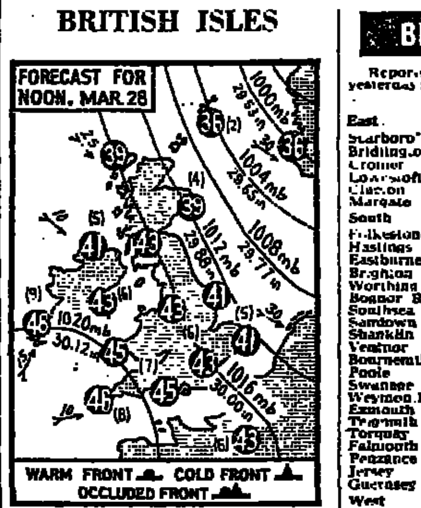
Referee: D. Hughes (Newbridge).

ATLANTIC WEATHER—Noon March 27



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BRITISH ISLES



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YESTERDAY'S FOOTBALL

WORLD CUP—Group 7

Scotland (0) 0 — Wales (1) 1
—62,424 — Rush
(at Hampton Park)

FRIENDLY INTERNATIONAL

Spain (0) 0 — N. Ireland (0) 0
—30,000
(in Palma)

CANON LGE—Div. I

Aston Villa (0) 2 — Stoke (0) 0
Berry o.g.
Six — —10,874

DIVISION II

Wimbledon (2) 4 — Shrewsbury (0) 1
Sanchez 2 — Robinson
Evans — —2,337
Sayer

DIVISION III

Brentford (0) 3 — Walsall (0) 1
Roberts — Rees (pen)
Hurlock — —5,021
Cooke

DIVISION IV

Chester (2) 2 — Aldershot (0) 0
Rimmer
Kitchen — 1,534

Mansfield (0) 0 — Peterb'gh (0) 0
—1,945

EUROPEAN U-21 CH'SHIP.—Group 8: Belgium 1, Italy 1 (in Brussels).

EUROPEAN U-18 CH'SHIP.—Qualif. match: Holland 2, N. Ireland 1 (in Waalwijk).

U-21 FRIENDLY. — Switzerland 0, Czechoslovakia 1 (in Martigny).

INTER-SERVICES CH'SHIP.—Army 0, RAF 1.

CENTRAL LGE.—Div. 1: Barnsley 2, Man. City 1 — Sheffield Utd 0, Coventry 0—WBA 0, Liverpool 1. Div. II: Bolton 1, Port Vale 0 — Burnley 1, Wolves 2—Doncaster 0, Middlesbrough 3—Hull 1, Blackpool 1—Preston 1, Grimsby 2—York 1, Sunderland 0.

MIDWEEK LGE.—Postponed: Southend v Northampton.

FOOTBALL COMB.—Norwich 0, Millwall 2—Oxford 0, Watford 3.

F.A. YOUTH CUP.—Semi-final, 1st leg: Newcastle 2, Birmingham 0.

GT. MILLS WESTERN LGE.—Prem Div: Bideford 2, Exmouth 0—Frome 5, Taunton 0—Mangotsfield 2, Devizes 1 —Minehead 3, Bristol MF 2—Plymouth 2, Paulton 0.

FRIENDLY INT'NAL. — USSR 2, Austria 0. (in Tbilisi).

SCHOOLS.—ESFA RHS Trophy: Dorset 2, Hants 0. Nabisco Trophy, semi-finals: Heathfield HS, Durham 3, St Thos More, Luton 0. Reed Trophy: Dorset 1, Hants 2.

RUGBY RESULTS

CLUB.—Aberavon 6, Bristol 17—Abertillery 16, Met Police 0—Cheltenham 21, Bath 10—Cross Keys 11, Maesteg 22—Ebbw Vale 12, Swansea 29—Nuneaton 18, Coventry 24—Pontypool 18, Bridgend 12—R. Navy 4, Plymouth Alb 18.

REPRESENTATIVE.— Lloyds Insurance 19, Stock Exchange 12.

BASS MERIT TABLE. — Bridgwater 15, Clifton 27.

CORNWALL CUP. — Semi-final: Penzance-Newlyn 4, St Ives 23.

BRENTFORD IN EASY VICTORY

Brentford ... 3, Walsall ... 1

BRENTFORD showed no signs of relegation fears againset the promotion-chasing Walsall at Griffin Park last night, and after starting slowly recorded a convincing win to improve their chances of Third Division survival.

A little more precision in their finishing would have produced a comfortable lead. Robbie Cooke, with headers after 23 and 28 minutes and a shot from the edge of the box after his marker Hart had slipped on the greasy turf, was the chief culprit.

Walsall, looking for their ninth away win, also squandered opportunities. However, the most surprising aspect of an entertaining match was the uent. first-time football from both sides, with the prize of promotion and the peril of relegation respectively.

Superb set-piece

Brentford made their superiority tell with a well-worked goal after 49 minutes. A cross from the right wing by Cooke was smartly turned in at the near post by Gary Roberts.

And, as the visitors struggled to make any impression against Brentford's lively midfield, the London side put themselves into a commanding position with a superbly executed set-piece goal fivem inutes later. Kamara's free-kick gave Hurlock time and space to smash home a right-foot drive from just outside the penalty area.

Rees cut Walsall's deficit with a 77th-minute penalty after Kelly had been upended by Phillips. But Cooke made up for his early misses in the 86th minute with a fine, low shot from an acute angle.

Brentford.—Phillips; Salman, Murray, Millen, Wignall, Hurlock, Kamara, Cooke, Cassells, Booker, Roberts.

Walsall.—Cherry; Caswell, Mower, Shakespeare, Brazier, Hart, Rees, Kelly, Elliott, Childs, Naughton.

Curling

FAVOURITES BEATEN

Denmark and Italy produced a double upset in the world curling championships at Glasgow yesterday. They overcame Canada and Norway, hot tips for Sunday's final, in the fifth session of the tournament.

AIR CANADA SILVER BROOM (Glasgow).—5th session: Canada 4, Denmark 6—Sweden 8, Scotland 3—Italy 6, Norway 2—Switzerland 5, US 6—W. Germany 5, England 8. Standings: Canada, Norway, US, 5; Italy, W. Germany, 4; Scotland, Denmark, Sweden, 3; Switzerland, 2; England, 1.

Rackets

HARROW PAIR HOLD ON

By ROB McLEAN

Orlando, Bridgeman and Patrick Angus, the latest generation of two well-known rackets-playing families, reached the semi-finals of the Second Pairs competition in the Public Schools Doubles Championships at Queen's Club yesterday.

The Harrow pair beat Richard Scholes and Simon Hemsworth (Malvern) 4-3 after having squandered a three-game lead. In the other quarter-final, Dean Hannaford and Charles Lindsay, of Rugby, won in straight games against Radley.

PROF ASSN 2nd PAIRS CUP.—Qtr-finals: Rugby (D. M. Hannaford & C. Lindsay) bt Radley (N. Studholme-Wilson & S. J. E. Hemsworth) 15-5, 15-5, 15-2, 15-10; Harrow (L. O. Bridgeman & P. P. Angus) bt Malvern (R. A. Scholes & S. Hemsworth) 15-7, 15-12, 15-9, 5-15, 4-15, 6-15, 15-8.

PETER GRAY U-15 CUP.—2nd Rd: Radley (T. J. H. West & D. McCausland) bt Tonbridge (D. Penfold & P. Gunn) 15-9, 15-12, 18-13; Clifton (H. D. J. Swinnerton & R. D. Smith-Bingham) bt Malvern (D. J. Wilcox & R. G. Henson) 15-8, 15-7, 15-9.

Qtr-finals: Marlborough (A. Robinson & G. Barker) bt Haileybury (A. Freedman & D. Marvin) 15-2, 15-1, 15-0; Radley bt Harrow (C. D. Bridgeman & F. J. R. Robb) 12-15, 15-10, 15-2, 4-15, 15-9; Rugby (D. J. Whitburn & R. R. Montgomerie) bt Eton 18-14, 15-9, 2-15, 15-9; Clifton (R. Clark & W. St J. Tees) bt Charterhouse (C. E. Simson & M. Strachan) 15-12, 15-11, 1-15, 15-11.

BRITISH RESORTS

Reports for the 24 hours to 6 p.m. yesterday:

	Sun hrs.	Rain ins.	Max. Temps. F	C	Weather (day)
East					
Scarboro'	4.8	0.02	43	6	Sunny
Bridlington	5.0	0.09	45	6	Sunny
Cromer	3.6	—	41	5	Bright
Lowestoft	2.7	0.05	45	7	Hail
Clacton	4.9	0.04	45	7	Sunny
Margate	—	0.11	45	7	Showers
South					
Folkestone	5.1	0.22	48	9	Showers
Hastings	4.2	0.28	46	8	Showers
Eastbourne	3.1	0.26	46	8	Showers
Brighton	—	0.24	45	7	Showers
Worthing	4.4	0.13	48	9	Bright
Bognor R.	5.4	0.05	45	7	Showers
Southsea	5.3	0.01	48	9	Sunny
Sandown	4.8	0.03	48	9	Sunny
Shanklin	5.3	0.04	46	8	Showers
Ventnor	6.7	0.03	46	8	Bright
Bournemouth	5.3	0.01	48	9	Bright
Poole	6.2	—	48	9	Bright
Swanage	5.1	0.02	48	9	Sunny
Weymouth	6.1	—	52	11	Bright
Exmouth	8.9	0.04	50	10	Sunny
Teignmouth	9.1	0.04	50	10	Sunny
Torquay	8.8	0.03	50	10	Sunny
Falmouth	9.3	0.04	50	10	Sunny
Penzance	9.4	0.04	50	10	Thunder
Jersey	8.0	0.17	48	9	Showers
Guernsey	8.5	0.07	50	10	Sunny
West					
Scilly Is.	9.3	—	53	11	Sunny
Newquay	10.5	—	54	12	Sunny
Ilfracombe	—	0.02	48	9	Sunny
Tenby	5.5	—	48	9	Sunny
Colwyn B.	4.4	—	45	7	Sunny
Southport	8.2	—	43	6	Sunny
Morecambe	8.8	—	46	8	Sunny
Douglas	7.6	—	45	7	Hail
Scotland					
Prestwick	7.2	—	46	8	Sunny
Glasgow	7.3	—	48	9	Sunny
Tiree	5.2	—	45	7	Hail
Stornoway	1.5	0.01	43	6	Hail
Lerwick	4.0	0.16	39	4	Snow
Wick	4.9	0.03	45	7	Hail
Kinloss	7.5	0.12	45	7	Hail
Aberdeen	6.8	0.16	43	6	Snow
St Andrews	5.6	—	48	9	Showers
Edinburgh	5.8	0.01	46	8	Snow
Northern Ireland					
Belfast	3.3	—	43	6	Sunny
Lake District					
Ambleside	2.9	—	45	7	Sun pds
Kendal	5.8	—	47	8	Sunny
Keswick	6.3	0.01	48	9	Sun pds

LONDON READINGS

Max. temp. (6 a.m. to 6 p.m.) 45F (7C); min. temp. (6 p.m. to 6 a.m.) 37F (3C); rainfall 0·04 inches; sunshine 0·7 hours.

In Britain yesterday (daytime): Warmest Newquay 54F (12C); coldest Cape Wrath 39F (4C); wettest Hastings 0·28 inches; sunniest Newquay 10·5 hours.

HOME AND ABROAD

Ajaccio	c	57	14	L. Palmas	s	73	23
Akrotiri	s	66	19	Lisbon	f	61	16
Alexandria	s	81	27	Locarno	r	43	6
Algiers	s	68	20	Loudon	r	41	5
Amstrdm	f	45	7	*L. Angls	f	59	15
Ascension	c	84	29	Luxmbrg	r	41	5
Athens	f	59	15	Luxor	s	95	35
Bahrain	s	73	23	Madrid	f	54	12
*Barbados	f	82	28	Majorca	s	66	19
Barcelna	s	61	16	Malaga	s	70	21
Belfast	c	39	4	Malta	s	66	19
Belgrade	s	66	19	Manchstr	c	43	6
Berlin	c	52	11	Melbo'rne	s	75	24
*Bermuda	r	57	14	*Mexico C	f	68	20
Biarritz	r	48	9	*Miami	s	75	24
Birmghm	f	45	7	Milan	c	52	11
Blackpool	c	45	6	Montreal	c	48	9
Bordeaux	c	48	9	Moscow	c	36	2
*Boston	s	46	8	Munich	r	48	9
Boulogne	c	41	5	Naples	s	61	16
Bristol	c	45	7	Newcastle	f	41	5
Brussels	c	41	5	N. Delhi	s	93	34
Budapest	c	55	13	New York	s	68	20
*B Aires	dr	73	23	Nice	f	59	15
Cairo	s	88	31	Paris	r	41	5
Cape Tn	s	84	29	Peking	s	61	16
Cardiff	f	48	9	Perth	s	95	35
Casablnca	c	63	17	P. Stanley	f	50	10
Cologne	r	41	5	Prague	f	54	12
Copnhgn	r	36	2	Reykjvik	sn	23	-5
*Chicago	s	59	15	Rhodes	f	63	17
Corfu	r	61	16	*R de Jan	f	81	27
*Dallas	f	72	22	Rome	s	63	17
*Denver	s	64	18	Salzburg	f	54	12
Dublin	c	41	5	*S. Frisco	r	46	8
Dubrovnik	s	61	16	*Santiago	s	73	23
Edinbrgh	f	41	5	*S. Paulo	c	81	27
Faro	s	61	16	Seoul	c	45	7
Florence	f	66	19	Stockhlm	c	34	1
Frankfort	c	48	9	Strasbrg	r	48	9
Funchal	f	66	19	Sydney	s	72	22
Geneva	c	48	9	Tangier	f	61	16
Gibraltar	f	64	18	Tel Aviv	s	88	31
Glasgow	f	41	5	Tokyo	r	43	6
Guernsey	f	45	7	Toronto	c	39	13
Helsinki	sl	34	1	Tunis	s	70	21
Hongkong	c	75	24	Valencia	f	68	20
Innsbrck	f	59	15	*Vancver	f	43	6
Inverness	f	43	6	Venice	s	55	13
I. of Man	c	41	5	Vienna	s	55	13
Istanbul	f	52	11	Warsaw	c	54	12
Jeddah	s	91	33	*Wshngtn	s	55	13
Jersey	c	45	7	Wellingtn	s	57	14
Karachi	f	81	29	Zurich	c	46	8
Larnaca	c	68	20				

Key: C—cloudy; dr—drizzle; f—fair; r—rain; s—sunny; sl—sleet; sn—snow. Temperatures (F & C) lunchtime generally. Asterisk indicates previous day's reading.

Lighting-up time 6.57 p.m. to 5.13 a.m. Sun rises 5.45 a.m. Sets 6.27 p.m. Moon rises 8.33 a.m. Sets 2.20 a.m. tomorrow. High water at: London Bridge 5.32 a.m. (21ft), 5.53 p.m. (20.3ft). Dover 2.6 a.m. (19ft), 2.34 p.m. (18ft).

SKI-ING CONDITIONS

The following reports were supplied by representatives of the Ski Club of Great Britain:

	Depth l	u	Conditions Piste	o.P.	Weather & Temp(F) 5 pm	
Alpe d'Huez	175	500	g	pd	sn	32
Courmayeur	160	400	g	h	fa	41
Crans Montana	30	130	fa	cr	sn	45
Davos	45	190	g	pd	fa	32
Les Arcs	60	280	fa	v	cl	34
Verbier	45	180	g	h	sn	37
Wengen	35	115	g	pd	sn	32

Key: l—lower; u—upper; c—closed; cl—cloudy; cr—crust; f—fine; fa—fair; fo—fog; g—good; h—heavy; i—icy; o.p.—off piste; pd—powder; pr—poor; r—rain; sn—snow; sp—spring; th—thaw; v—varied; w—worn. Depths in centimetres, temperatures in Fahrenheit.

SCOTLAND

CAIRNGORM.—Upper and middle runs complete, wide cover, new snow on a firm base. Lower slopes: complete, new snow on a firm base. Vertical runs: 1,800ft. Hill and main roads: clear. Snow level: 1,700ft.

GLENSHEE.—Upper runs: some complete, new snow on a hard base. Lower slopes: very little snow, new snow on a hard base. Vertical runs: 1,000ft. Hill and main roads: clear. Snow level: 2,000ft.

GLENCOE (open Sats, Suns, Mons only).—Upper runs: some complete, hard packed snow on a firm base. Lower slopes: limited nursery areas, very little snow. Vertical runs: 900ft. Hill and main roads: clear. Snow level: 2,400ft.

LECHT.—Upper and middle runs: complete, new snow on a firm base. Lower slopes: ample nursery areas, new snow on a firm base. Vertical runs: 700ft. Hill to car park: blocked. Main roads: clear. Snow level: 2,000ft.

Forecast for today: Sunny intervals, scattered wintry showers, occasionally prolonged. Freezing at all levels at first, rising to 1,200ft. later. Fresh or strong northerly winds.

Outlook for tomorrow: Sunny periods, isolated wintry showers. Cloudy later with strengthening wind.

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TELEVISION

THURSDAY GUIDE BY PETER KNIGHT

BBC-1

6 50 a.m.-9.20 BREAKFAST TIME with Frank Bough and Selina Scott. 10.30-10.50 Play School, rpt.
12 30 NEWS, WEATHER. 12.57 Regional News (London and South East only: Financial Report and News Headlines).
1 00 PEBBLE MILL AT ONE, including Anna Ford talking about her new book on men and tips from home improvement expert, Bill Evkyn. 1.45-2 Bagpuss, rpt.
2 20-3.25 RACING FROM AINTREE—The 2.35 and 3.10 races with further coverage on BBC 2. 3.48 (not London) Regional News.
3 50 PLAY SCHOOL, rpt. 4.10 The Family-Ness. 4.15 The Magic Pudding by Norman Lindsay, read by William Rushton. 4.30 Yogi Bear, rpt. 4.35 Dogtanian and the Three Muskehounds.
4 55 NEWSROUND with Paul McDowell. 5.5 Blue Peter (Ceefax).
5 35 DR. KILDARE—A Little Child Shall Lead, rpt. (Wales: Wales Today.)
6 00 NEWS, WEATHER.
6 35 REGIONAL MAGAZINES. (Wales: Dr. Kildare.)
7 00 EASTENDERS (Ceefax).
7 30 TOP OF THE POPS—Presented by Peter Powell and Mike Smith.
8 00 ONLY FOOLS AND HORSES—Watching the Girls Go By. Rodney impetuously accepts a bet that he cannot find a glamorous girl to take to the pub social. (Ceefax.)
8 30 A QUESTION OF SPORT—David Coleman puts the questions to the two teams led by Bill Beaumont and Emlyn Hughes. (Ceefax.) Wales: Week In Week Out.
9 00 NEWS, WEATHER.
9 25 I WOKE UP ONE MORNING—Derek and Max try to keep the peace when Danny and Zero fall out during a group therapy session.
9 55 QUESTION TIME—Donald MacCormick, the sub for Sir Robin Day, fields the questions from the audience and puts them to Alan Watson, Oonagh McDonald, John Patten and Baroness Warnock. Wales: The Fasting Girl—drama, rpt. 11.15 The Visit: The Boy David Trilogy. 12.5 Rockschool. 12.30 News of Wales; Weather.
10 55 THE VISIT—THE BOY DAVID TRILOGY: Marjorie's Quest. Continuing the story of the eight-year-old Peruvian Indian boy whose disease-ravaged face was rebuilt by a Scottish surgeon who then took him into his family. Marjorie, the surgeon's wife, accompanied by Desmond Wilcox and a film crew, go deep into the Amazonian jungle to try to find the boy's parents, who are members of a wandering tribe of Indians. It is vital to get his birth certificate before he can be legally adopted. Repeat. (Ceefax.)
11 45 ROCKSCHOOL—Helpful advice for budding rock musicians, this week, funk and disco, rpt. 12.10 Weather.

BBC-2

6 30 a.m.-7.20 OPEN UNIVERSITY.
9 20-3 DAYTIME ON TWO—A run of short educational programmes for children and adults, mostly repeats.
3 25-4.35 RACING FROM AINTREE—The 3.45 and 4.20 races. 5.20 News, Weather. 5.25 The Show Me Show, rpt.
6 00 "HOUSEBOAT" (1958). Amusing, lighthearted romantic comedy with Cary Grant as the widowed father of three *unruly children enlisting* the aid of Sophia Loren as housekeeper to take them in hand.
7 45 ANIMATION NOW—Take it Easy.
7 50 OURS TO KEEP—Defence of the Realm. Shipwright Brian Patterson talks about his campaign to preserve the tools and machinery of Portsmouth Dockyard, which has been the home of the Royal Navy for 500 years. He is determined that future generations shall know how the city and the Navy were developed through the work of the city's craftsmen.
8 30 TOPOL'S ISRAEL—First of a six-part series in which the popular actor and singer explores his country's cosmopolitan culture, life-styles and geographical contrasts. Reflecting on his life as an Israeli, performer and family man, he looks back to his childhood days in the Florentine quarter of Tel Aviv, the time he spent in a Kibbutz, his involvement with an army entertainment group and his international success as a performer.
9 00 OSCAR—De Profundis. Wilde begins his two-year sentence of hard labour while his wife and family, who have been forced to change their names, move abroad. (Ceefax.)
9 50 FORTY MINUTES—Union Street. Plymouth's Union Street, we are informed, was once the Reeperbahn of the Devon Riviera. Now it is but a shadow of its notorious, disreputable old self, which makes this programme a bit of a *non-starter as it attempts to revive memories* of the bad old days. It's mostly people talking about what has gone, what they miss and it hopes about fairly frantically most of the time searching for a street that no longer exists, rather like a visit to the circus the day after the show left town.
10 30 NEWSNIGHT. 11.15 Weather.
11 20 ANIMATION NOW—Tango. Animated film from Poland. 11.30 Weekend Outlook, preview of Open University programmes.
11 35-12.30 a.m. OPEN UNIVERSITY.

ITV Thames

6 15 a.m. GOOD MORNING BRITAIN, with Anne Diamond and Nick Owen. 9.25 Thames News Headlines.
9 30 FOR SCHOOLS. 12 The Little Green Man. 12.10 Mooncat & Co. 12.30 The Sullivans.
1 00 NEWS. 1.20 Thames News. 1.30 Falcon Crest.
2 30 DAYTIME, Sarah Kennedy, her guests and studio audience discuss a current topic. 3 Gems. 3.25 Thames News Headlines. 3.30 Sons and Daughters.
4 00 THE LITTLE GREEN MAN, rpt. 4.15, Batfink. 4.20 Sooty. 4.40 Words, Words, Words. 5 Dangermouse. 5.15 Thames Sport with Graeme Souness and Jenny Pitman.
5 45 NEWS.
6 00 THAMES NEWS.
6 25 HELP! Black Cultural Archive.
6 35 CROSSROADS.
7 00 EMMERDALE FARM.
7 30 *STREET HAWK—Vegas Run. Starring Rex Smith.*
8 30 ★MINDER—A Lot of Bull and a Pat on the Back, rpt. The one bright spot in a fairly dismal evening on this channel, even if it is a repeat. Arthur and Terry take on a repossession assignment, just another routine job until they learn the property involved is a prize bull. (Oracle.)
9 30 TV EYE. Kerry Babies: the Eire government inquiry into police investigation of the case of the unmarried mother and the two dead babies.
10 00 NEWS AT TEN, followed by Thames News Headlines.
10 30 KOJAK—Requiem for a Cop, rpt. Kojak has just 48 hours to uncover the truth behind the killing of a veteran police officer suspected of taking bribes.
11 30 INDOOR BOWLS—The British Open, from Darlington, the first round and quarter-finals.
12 30 NIGHT THOUGHTS with Moshe David.

Channel 4

2 35 p.m. "DESPERATE JOURNEY" (1942 b/w). World War 2 drama following the exploits of a group of American airmen as they make their way to the Dutch border after being shot down. With Errol Flynn, Ronald Reagan and Raymond Massey. 4.30 The People's Court, Judge Wapner gives his verdict in The Case of the Disappearing Furniture.
5 00 "THE BATTLE OF BRITAIN" (1943 b/w). Frank Capra's documentary film on the weeks leading up to the battle, the massive air attacks on Britain and the bombardment of London; with Walter Huston providing the narration and Winston Churchill the prologue.
5 55 AMERICANS IN BRITAIN, b/w.—Extracts from the 1943 film "Time to Remember", set two years after the Battle of Britain and showing the build up of American forces in Britain.
6 10 "THE NEGRO SOLDIER" (1944 b/w.). Another Capra documentary this time tracing the contribution of black servicemen in American military history. Made as a morale booster for black troops in World War 2.
7 00 CHANNEL FOUR NEWS; at 7.50 Comment by ecologist Jacqui Stearn; and Weather.
8 00 DISCOVERY—In the last of the series David Bellamy looks at the theory that some animals' sex is determined by the temperature of the soil on which their eggs are laid. Could this explain the disappearance of the dinosaur?
8 30 MIRROR IMAGE—LLOYD COLE AND THE COMMOTIONS. The rock 'n' roll group in concert and in conversation with David Wigg.
9 30 THE WEDDING, rpt. Adaptation of a story by V. S. Pritchett with Tom Bell as a lonely widowed farmer and Meg Wynn Owen as a divorced schoolteacher who are *drawn together despite the cultural gulf* between them.
10 30 DESIGN MATTERS—Your Land or Ours? In Kent and Sussex, examining how the needs of agriculture, the population and wildlife are balanced.
11 00-11.55 TOWERS OF SILENCE—Surrealistic film set in contemporary Pakistan and focusing on a young boy's ritualistic obsession with death.

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ITV REGIONS

TVS

6 15 Good Morning.
9 25 TVS Outlook.
9 30 For Schools.
12 00 The Little Green Man.
12 10 Mooncat & Co.
12 30 The Sullivans.
1 00 News; TVS News.
1 30 Falcon Crest.
2 30 Daytime.
3 00 Gems.
3 27 TVS News; *The Protectors.*
4 00 The Little Green Man.
4 15 Batfink.
4 20 Sooty.
4 40 Words, Words, Words.
5 00 Dangermouse.
5 15 Blockbusters.
5 45 News.
6 00 Coast to Coast.
6 35 Crossroads.
7 00 Emmerdale Farm.
7 30 Street Hawk.
8 30 Minder, rpt.
9 30 TV Eye.
10 00 News; TVS News.
10 30 Police Squad.
11 00 Inn Quiz.
11 30 Indoor Bowls.
12 30 Company.

Anglia

6 15-9.25 Good Morning.
9 30 For Schools.
12 00 The Little Green Man.
12 10 Mooncat & Co.
12 30 The Sullivans.
1 00 News; Anglia News.
1 30 The Champions, rpt.
2 30 Daytime.
3 00 Gems.
3 25 Anglia News.
3 30 Sons and Daughters.
4 00 The Little Green Man.
4 15 Batfink.
4 20 Sooty.
4 40 Words, Words, Words.
5 00 Dangermouse.
5 15 Blockbusters.
5 45 News.
6 00 About Anglia.
6 35 Crossroads.
7 00 Morecambe & *Wise.*
7 30 Street Hawk.
8 30 Minder, rpt.
9 30 TV Eye.
10 00 News; Anglia News.
10 30 Bygones Special, film pioneer Cecil Hepworth.
11 30 Indoor Bowls.
12 30 Thursday Topic.

Central

6 15-9.25 Good Morning.
9 30 For Schools.
12 00 The Little Green Man.
12 10 Mooncat & Co.
12 25 European Folk Tales.
12 40 *Contact.*
1 00 News; Central News.
1 30 The Champions.
2 30 Daytime.
3 00 Gems.
3 25 News.
3 30 Sons and Daughters.
4 00 The Little Green Man.
4 15 Batfink.
4 20 Sooty.
4 40 Words, Words, Words.
5 00 *Dangermouse.*
5 15 Diff'rent Strokes.
5 45 News.
6 00 Crossroads.
6 25 Central News.
7 00 Emmerdale Farm.
7 30 Street Hawk.
8 30 Minder, rpt.
9 30 TV Eye.
10 00 News; Central News.
10 30 Eco.
11 00 The Protectors.
11 30-12.30 Indoor Bowls.

Yorkshire

6 15 Good Morning.
9 25 Weather.
9 30 For Schools.
12 00 The Little Green Man.
12 10 Mooncat & Co.
12 30 Calendar Picture Show.
1 00 News; Calendar.
1 30 The Love Boat.
2 30 Daytime.
3 00 Gems.
3 25 News.
3 30 Sons and Daughters.
4 00 The Little Green Man.
4 15 Batfink.
4 20 Sooty.
4 40 Words, Words, Words.
5 00 Dangermouse.
5 15 Sounds Good.
5 45 News.
6 00 Calendar.
6 35 Crossroads.
7 00 Emmerdale Farm.
7 30 Street Hawk.
8 30 Minder, rpt.
9 30 TV Eye.
10 00 News.
10 30 Live at City Hall.
11 00 Barney Miller.
11 30-12.30 Indoor Bowls.

HTV

6 15-9.25 Good Morning.
9 30 For Schools.
12 00 The Little Green Man.
12 10 Mooncat & Co.
12 30 The Sullivans.
1 00 News; HTV News.
1 30 A Country Practice.
2 30 Daytime.
3 00 Gems; HTV News.
3 30 Sons and Daughters.
4 00 The Little Green Man.
4 15 Batfink.
4 20 Sooty.
4 40 Words, Words, Words.
5 00 Dangermouse.
5 15 Diff'rent Strokes.
5 45 News.
6 00 HTV News.
6 35 Crossroads.
7 00 Emmerdale Farm.
7 30 Street Hawk.
8 30 Minder, rpt.
9 30 TV Eye.
10 00 News; HTV News.
10 30 Weekend Outlook.
10 35 The West This Week.
11 00 Teachers Only.
11 30 Indoor Bowls.
12 30 Weather.
HTV Wales: 6 p.m.-6.35 Wales at Six. 10.30-11 Wales This Week.

S4C

12 55 Countdown.
1 40 The Three Stooges.
2 00 Beth, Sut, Pam, Pryd a Ble?
2 20 Ffalabalam.
2 35-2.55 Hwnt ac Yma.
3 20 The Making of Britain.
3 50 Cartoon Carnival.
4 15 A Plus 4.
4 45 Ffalabalam.
5 00 Deri Deg.
5 05 Gwaed ar y Dagrau.
5 30 Bewitched.
6 00 Brookside.
6 30 Be Nesa?
7 00 Newyddion Saith.
7 30 Cerdded Afon.
8 05 Coleg.
8 35 Awyr Iach; Penawdau Newyddion.
9 10 Worldwise—Alyeska.
10 10-12.10 "The Cotract": (1980 Polish film).

TSW

6 15-9.25 Good Morning.
9 30 For Schools.
12 00 The Little Green Man.
12 10 Mooncat & Co.
12 30 The Sullivans.
1 00 News; Local News.
1 30 The Love Boat.
2 30 Daytime.
3 00 Gems.
3 30 Sons and Daughters.
4 00 The Little Green Man.
4 15 Batfink.
4 20 Sooty.
4 40 Words, Words, Words.
5 00 Dangermouse.
5 15 Gus Honeybun.
5 20 Crossroads.
5 45 News.
6 00 Today South West.
6 30 Gardens for All.
7 00 Benson.
7 30 Street Hawk.
8 30 Minder, rpt.
9 30 TV Eye.
10 00 News; Local News.
10 35 The Yellow Rose.
11 30 Indoor Bowls.
12 30 Postscript; Weather.

Channel

9 30 For Schools.
12 00-5.15 As TSW.
5 15 The Beverly Hillbillies.
5 45 News; Channel Report.
6 30 Crossroads.
6 55 Jan and Steve.
7 00-12.30 As TSW.
12 30 News & Weather.

Open University

BBC2 TV: 6.30 a.m. M101. 6.55-7.20 S101. 11.30 p.m. Weekend Outlook. 11.35 T252. 12-12.30 A552. Radio 4 VHF: 11.30 p.m. A203. 11.50-12 Music. Radio 3 VHF: 6.35 a.m.-6.55 T291.

WORLD SERVICE RADIO

6 a.m. Newsdesk. 7 World News. 7.9 Twenty-four Hours. 7.30 Short Takes. 7.45 Network U.K. 8 World News. 8.9 Reflections. 8.15 International Soccer Special. 8.30 John Peel. 9 World News. 9.9 British Press Review. 9.15 The World Today. 9.30 Financial News. 9.40 Look Ahead. 9.45 Monitor. 10 News. 10.1 Handel *and the Oratorio.* 10.30 Yes Minister. 11 World News. 11.9 News about Britain. 11.15 New Ideas. 11.25 The Week in Wales.

12 noon Radio Newsreel. 12.15 Top Twenty. 12.45 Sports Roundup. 1 World News. 1.9 Twenty-four Hours. 1.30 Network U.K. 1.45 Kicking Up the Sawdust. 2 Outlook. 2.45 Out on the Floor. 3 Radio Newsreel. 3.15 The Pleasure's Yours. 4 World News. 4.9 Commentary. 4.15 Assignment. 4.45 The World Today. 5 World News. 5.9 Meridian. 5.40 The Week in Wales.

8 p.m. World News. 9.15 A Jolly Good Show. 10 World News. 10.9 The World Today. 10.25 The Week in Wales. 10.30 Financial News. 10.40 Reflections. 10.45 Sports Roundup. 11 World News. 11.9 Commentary. 11.15 Merchant Navy. 11.30 Meridian.

12 midnight World News. 12.9 News about Britain. 12.15 Radio Newsreel. 12.30 Mainstream. 1 News. 1.1 Outlook. 1.30 At Home with . . . 1.45 Ulster Newsletter. 1.50 In the Meantime. 2 World News. 2.9 British Press Review. 2.15 Sins of Old Age. 2.30 The Elements of Music. 3 World News. 3.9 News about Britain. 3.15 The World Today. 3.30 Business Matters. 4 Newsdesk. 4.30 Country Music Profile. 5.45 The World Today.

RADIO

FOUR

5 55 on l/w Shipping.
6 00 News Briefing.
6 10 Farming Today.
6 25 Prayer for the Day.
6 30 Today.
9 00 News.
9 05 Ray Gosling in the House of . . . Happy Hands. Repeat.
9 30 Living World, rpt.
10 00 *Medicine Now,* rpt.
10 30 Morning Story.
10 45 An Act of Worship.
11 00 Analysis, rpt: The Wage Virus.
11 48 History Reflected: poetry.
12 00 You and Yours.
12 27 Just a Minute, rpt.
12 55 Weather.
1 00 The World at One.
1 40 The Archers.
1 55 on l/w Shipping.
2 00 Woman's Hour.
3 00 "Widowers": second of two plays by Alun Owen, a sequel to his "After the Funeral"—25 years after the events with which the earlier play dealt, the brothers Dave and Morgan are widowers struggling to maintain good relationships with their children.
4 00 Enquire Within.
4 10 Bookshelf, rpt.
4 40 Story Time: "Jennings in Particular" (8).
5 00 PM (5.50 on l/w Shipping).
5 55 Weather.
6 00 News; *Financial* news.
6 30 Brain of Britain, rpt.
7 00 News.
7 05 The Archers.
7 20 Any Answers?
7 40 International Assignment.
8 10 Hi-tech: Alun Lewis looks at the latest developments.
8 40 Profile.
9 00 Does He Take Sugar?
9 30 Glyn Worsnip, rpt.
9 45 Kaleidoscope, presented by Christopher Bigsby.
10 15 Book at Bedtime: "The Rich Mrs. Robinson" (9).
10 30 The World Tonight.
11 15 Financial World.
11 30 Today in Parliament.
12 00-12.15 News, Weather.
12 33 Shipping forecast.
VHF: 9.5 a.m.-10.45 & 11-12 For Schools. 1.55 Listening Corner. 2-3 For Schools. 11 p.m. Study on 4: The State of the Vatican. 11.30-12 Open University. 12.30 a.m.-1.10 Night-time Schools.

THREE

6 55 Weather.
7 00 News.
7 05 Morning Concert (8-8.5 News).
9 00 News.
9 05 This Week's Composer—Chopin.
10 00 Dvorak's Symphony No. 6.
10 45 French Violin Music, rpt: Fauré, Lili Boulanger.
11 25 Six *Continents,* rpt.
11 45 Russian Music: Shostakovich and Mussorgsky orch. Ravel.
1 00 News.
1 05 Bristol Concert: Alberni String Quartet, with Martin Hughes (piano), plays Haydn's String Quartet in C and Schumann's Piano Quintet in E flat.
2 00 Mendelssohn's Elijah: Austrian Radio recording from the 1984 Salzburg Festival (3.5-3.10 Reading).
4 20 Berg and Brahms played by Walter Klien (piano). Repeat.
4 55 News.
5 00 Mainly for Pleasure.
6 30 Bandstand.
7 00 Vienna Philharmonic Orchestra conducted by Karl Böhm: Beethoven's Overture — Creatures of Prometheus, Piano Concerto No. 4 in G (soloist, Maurizio Pollini) and 2nd Symphony (7.40-8 Letter from Taiwan, rpt: Professor A. H. Halsey).
8 45 Camels, Seals, and Fat Astronauts: Professor Colin Blakemore explores some of the strategies evolved by animals to enable them to deal with the rigours of their environments.
9 30 BBC Singers at Abingdon, conducted by Simon Joly: Bartok, Britten, Ann Boyd.
10 00 Music in Our Time—by Pierre Boulez, conducted by the composer.
11 05 French Music played by the Ulster Orchestra: Poulenc, Guy-Ropartz & Rabaud.
11 57-12 News.

TWO

4 00 Colin Berry.
6 00 Ray *Moore.*
8 05 Ken Bruce.
10 30 Jimmy Young.
1 05 David Jacobs.
2 00 Paul Heiney.
3 30 Music All the Way, with the 3.45 Aintree race.
4 00 Steve Jones.
6 00 John Dunn.
8 00 Wally Whyton.
9.55 Sports Desk.
10 00 The News Huddlines (new series): Roy Hudd laughs at the news, with June Whitfield and Chris Emmett.
10 30 Star Sound Extra.
11 00 Brian Matthew.
1 00 Bill Rennells.
3 00-4 *Art* Pepper.
VHF: 10 p.m.-12 As Radio 1.

ONE

6 00 Adrian John.
7 00 Mike Read.
9 00 Simon Bates.
12 00 Mark Page (12.30 Newsbeat).
2 30 Steve Wright.
5 00 Bruno Brookes (5.30 Newsbeat).
7 30 Janice Long, with (7.45) The Radio 1 Talkshow — On the Dole or On the Scrounge?
10 00-12 Into the Music.

WAVELENGTHS

Radio 1: 1089 kHz, 275 m. 1053, 285. Radio 2: 909, 330. 693, 433. (Radio 1/2 VHF: 88-90-2 MHz).
Radio 3: 1215, 247. (90-3-92-5).
Radio 4: 200, 1500. Greater London 720, 417. (92-94-5, 97-1).
World Service: 648, 463.
Radio London: 1458, 206. (94.9).
LBC: 1152, 261. (97.3).
Capital: 1548, 194. (95.8).

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BRITTAN LISTS LAW AND ORDER SUCCESSES

By JAMES WIGHTMAN Political Correspondent

MR BRITTAN, Home Secretary, last night showed the Government's sensitivity to criticism of its law-and-order record in the face of rising crime statistics.

He published a lengthy Commons written answer listing his department's "principal achievements" since 1979, when the Conservatives returned to office on a manifesto which had a strong commitment to countering lawlessness.

His move was similar to one by the Prime Minister on the eve of the Budget when she took the unusual step of making a long Commons written answer about improvements in the economy.

Mr Brittan told M Ps: "We have greatly strengthened the police service. On Dec. 31, 1984 there were 120,575 police officers and 38,089 civilian staff, so that the total manpower available to the police service had increased by 10,400 since December, 1979.

"The Metropolitan Police had 26,766 police officers and 13,645 civilian staff on Dec. 31, 1984, an increase of 5,000 in the same period. The recruitment of civilians for administrative work has released more police officers for operational duties,"

Pit strike

The Home Secretary also gave prominence to the Government's action in making available to police new protective equipment and supporting a thorough re-examination of training and tactics and by the implementation of a comprehensive public order training programme.

He added: "*This programme* of work proved its value in the 1984-85 miners' dispute when the police service faced the most serious, sustained and widespread campaign of violence, intimidation and public disorder which has been witnessed for many years.

"*The Government* gave the police its full support in the action they took to maintain order, to protect miners and their families from intimidation, and to ensure that those who wished to exercise their right to go to work were able to do so."

Mr Brittan said he had completed a review of public order law and related legislation. The Government intends to announce the conclusion of the review in a White Paper shortly.

He also stated: "Public support for the police is essential. Section 106 of the Police and Criminal Evidence Act 1984 came into effect on Jan. 1, 1985. *It requires arrangements to be* made in each police area for obtaining the views of the public on policing and their co-operation in preventing crime.

"This reinforces the guidance issued by my predecessor in 1982 to improve consultation between the community and police.

Crime prevention

"We have strengthened preventive action against crime in a number of ways.

"Provision was made within the urban programme for funding preventive initiatives . . . we have established a standing conference on crime prevention. A crime prevention unit was set up in 1983 and we are reviewing training for crime prevention."

After the "Yorkshire Ripper" case, the Home Office had assisted the police in developing new procedures and improved training for the investigation of a series of major crimes. It *had also developed for the police* a specification for a computerised major inquiry system which would be used by all forces in the handling of major investigations.

OLIVE BRANCH

Conference invitation

OUR POLITICAL STAFF writes: The Police Federation, whose leaders were warning six months ago that they might not be able to work with a future Labour Government, has now extended an olive branch and invited the party to send observers to its annual conference.

Labour's National Executive yesterday nominated Mr Gerald Kaufman, Shadow Home Secretary, and Mrs Audrey Wise, a Life-wing member of the executive, to attend the conference at Blackpool in May. Mr Tony Judge, spokesman for the Federation, said it had "no desire to be in a state of permanent feud with a major political party."

Ulster terrorists want tyranny says Hurd

By JAMES WIGHTMAN Political Correspondent

MR HURD, Northern Ireland Secretary, said last night that the dialogue between the British and Irish Governments was continuing in "a constructive spirit" and he hoped that it could be brought to "a sound conclusion."

He told the New York Council on Foreign Relations during a four-day visit to the United States, that he wanted to build on progress which had been made in the province in recent years by persuading the Roman Catholic minority "to take all the opportunities open to them for influencing policy in Northern Ireland.

"For example, it would be admirable if they would take the seats to which they were elected in the Assembly, or if they would take all the seats offered in the Police Authority."

Reasonable citizens

He added: "The majority needs to be satisfied in turn that its rights art respected, and that the democratic distinction between a majority and a minority is not ignored. I hope that such negotiation and discussion can soon be under way."

The Northern Ireland Secretary said he was "absolutely satisfied" that no concession would satisfy the terrorists and convert them into reasonable citizens.

"What they aim at is not democracy in Ireland but tyranny in Ireland, imposed by bomb and bullet," he said. "They can not accommodate the democratic systems in either north or south of Ireland, and we certainly have no intention of accommodating them."

He was speaking while politicians at home continued to speculate about the possibility of an early agreement on Ulster between Mrs Thatcher and Dr Fitzgerald, the Irish Prime Minister.

"My colleagues and I find an enormous longing for normality, for certainty, for reconciliation," he said. "The people who feel this in both communities are not always good at communicating it to those whom they elect.

"I am certainly not saying for certain that those individuals and groups now working for normality are bound to prevail. Reasonable chance.

"It is my job, and the job of every friend of Ireland, to make clear our total rejection of violent solutions and to give a strong helping hand to those men and women who are trying to build this new partnership."

CRASH No. 210

By Our Staff Correspondent in Bonn

A Starfighter jet of the West German Navy crashed yesterday into the sea north of Heligoland, but the pilot was safely ejected and rescued by helicopter. It was the 210th Starfighter lost in a crash since 900 went into service in the early 1960s, the West German Defence Ministry said.

NEC kills Benn's 'quit Nato' plan

By NICHOLAS COMFORT Political Staff

A FRESH attempt by Mr Wedgwood Benn and Mr Eric Heffer to commit a future Labour government to taking Britain out of Nato was decisively defeated yesterday in the party's National Executive.

Key members of the Hard Left deserted Mr Benn to join Mr Kinnock and the Right in arguing that reopening the issue on which the party had already taken a clear decision would do Labour nothing but harm.

And at the end of a lengthy and keenly-argued debate, the advocates of withdrawal were outvoted by 16 to nine.

The pivotal contribution came from Mr Michael Meacher, once desribed in the party as "Benn's vicar on earth" who declared that as withdrawal from Nato had been overwhelmingly rejected by the party conference, it would be folloy to re-open the issue prior to a general election.

Ripe for reconsideration

Yesterday's argument followed a vote of Labour's International Committee earlier this month simply to note a paper from Mr Benn and Mr Heffer which stated that the time was ripe to reconsider party policy on the Atlantic Alliance.

They declared that Labour's commitment to unilateral nuclear disarmament was inconsistent with membership of Nato, and called for preparation of a discussion document as a first step towards reversal of the conference decision.

On that occasion the onslaught against the Benn plan was led by Mr Roy Hattersley, deputy Labour leader, who found himself with some unexpected Left-wing allies as the initiative was shelved by nine votes to four.

Yesterday Mr Hattersley sat silent as Mr Kinnock rejected the argument that the "non-nuclear defence" to which Labour was now committed required Britain to withdraw from Nato.

Influencing thinking

On the contrary, the Labour leader argued, nations like Canada had shown that it was possible to renounce nuclear weapons and play a constructive art in the alliance.

By remaining in Nato, a non-nuclear Britain would retain the ability to influence alliance thinking and strategy, and could *modify policies against* the nation's interests.

"We are there, we are going to stay there and make a difference by being there," said Mr Kinnock.

LABOUR STRIFE

'Come outside' threat

OUR POLITICAL STAFF writes: Disagreements and strife between Left-wingers at yesterday's meeting of Labour's National Executive culminated in a threat by one member of the "Hard Left" to a colleague to "take you outside and deal with you."

Matters came to a head when Mr Dennis Skinner, MP for Bolsolver, demanded that Labour councillors penalised for refusing to operate Government spending curbs should be indemnified if and when the party regained power.

Mr Tom Sawyer, who represents the Left-wing public service union Nupe, objected to his proposal, whereupon Mr Swinner accused him of having "sold out." Mr Sawyer turned to Mr Skinner and said frostily: "Neither I nor my union has ever sold anybody out. Don't set on me like this, or I'll take you outside and deal with you there."

KILLER CLAIMS 384 MURDERS

Henry Lucas, 48, a convicted killer who claims responsibility for more than 360 murders in the United States, now says he also killed up to 24 people in Canada, police said yesterday.

Lucas, a drifter who was sentenced to death for murder in Texas, gave details to Canadian police in prison in Georgetown, Texas.—Reuter.

Commons Sketch

BRITTAN BLASTED OVER BBC

By EDWARD PEARCE

IF one cut through the 11 minutes of horse blanket prose which constituted the Home Secretary's statement on the B B C, its terms seem indistinguishable from those accepted on Luneberg Heath.

Rather desperate attempts were made by Labour to find a subtle conspiracy behind the 26 per cent. increase in the licence fee. But trying to combine essential victory with paranoia is like the Devonshire habit of putting cream on to jam.

The most heroic moment of the Home Secretary's interminable umbrella-and-piece-of-paper performance was the announcement: "I am therefore appointing a committee . . ."

It may be going to look at the possibility of advertising. It may be chaired by Professor Peacock, a goodish egg with a taste for the market. But it is still a committee and, in the view of more people than the Tories, a committee is the last refuge of a man on the run.

Mr Kaufman, who, despite his wit, does tend, upon negligible provocation, to reach for the howitzer, gave the Home Secretary temporary cover by a blast of *ad hominen* abuse.

But not even the charge of "shoddy opportunism" from one of the House's naked idealists could deflect the displeasure of Mr Brittan's critics.

Hollow baritone

Indeed Mr Joe Ashton who combines mainstream Labour views with a belief in advertising revenue, remarked coolly that Mr Kaufman was making policy without balloting the rest of us and that, to many people, the new fee of £58 was not disposable income.

He found himself playing cross-handed duets with Mr Brinton, a former newscaster who, in the hollow noble baritone of a man announcing that the king was slowly sinking, said that the B B C with advertisements would cease to be the B B C.

For the *most part though*, division was partisan—Mr Willie Hamilton, like a fishwife without a suppressor, keening "We know what you're after," and the Mussorgsky bass of Mr Robert Jones denouncing the fee hike as more in excess of inflation and likely to encourage further inefficiency.

Gallantly, Mr Sheerman, for Labour, suggested that Mr Peacock was a Right-wing professor sent in for the purpose of destabilising the B B C. The Corporation has been called many things in its time, but few of us quite see it as Nicaragua.

Except perhaps Mr Stokes who, with a firm grasp of the ethics of 1909, demanded more patriotism. "The most patriotic broadcasting system, said Merlyn Rees quietly, "is Radio Moscow."

Much of the day's best sense came from Mr Skinner who dismissed large parts of the B B C as uneconomic units without resources which, unlike pits, were not going to be closed down.

The thought of scabbing at Portland Place, of picket line violence in Lime Grove and decades of bitterness inside tightly knit broadcasting communities will, sadly, be denied us.

Poetic invention

Even so, those like Mr Beaumont-Darke, who, with his usual Birmingham brutality, saw committees as things set up *by Governments who knew what* to do but didn't want to do it, took very sweetly Mr Skinner's suggestion that the committee should be chaired by Lord Bridge—"Ee knows 'ow to bring out a report *very* swiftly."

It was not Mr Brittan's day Conservative backbenchers are fairly swift workers on a Taiwanese pocket calculator, and there were enough dries aware of the gross overshooting of projected inflation in the latest handout to the Guardians of Civilisation (and furious about it) to constitute a desert rising.

Mr Buchan, for *Labour, tried*, with more poetic invention than credibility, to portray the jackals of the advertising trade "slavering over the bones of a great dismantled institution."

These jackals, alas, found themselves following not a lion but an unusually circumspect political gerbil.

The statement itself was one of those overmanned, unproductive and worry affairs full of "achieve greater efficiency through improved management procedures and strengthened management attitudes" signifying nothing.

How do you strengthen an attitude? Would we recognise an improved procedure if we saw it?

Delivered by Mr Brittan, voice-trained in baroque orotundities, it sounded like a funeral oration . . . for the resolute approach.

The B B C should broadcast it . . . as a serial.

Parliament—P10

THATCHER READY ON SOCCER RIOTS

By Our Political Correspondent

Mrs Thatcher is prepared to have the Government take reserve powers to combat violence by soccer supporters if the Football Association does not offer to act effectively.

The message from Whitehall is that "the squeeze is on." The Prime Minister believes the trouble has gone on long enough, and she is expected to review the position with senior colleagues after today's Cabinet meeting.

BIRTHS

AMBROSE.—On March 20, 1985, at Queen Charlotte's Hospital, to ANGELA (nee Morris) and DAVID, a son (Rory), a brother for Katie and Barney.

BERWICK. — On March 27, at Pembury Hospital, Tunbridge Wells, to SALLY and COLIN, a first son (Christopher Charles). Thanks to all maternity staff, and Sheila and another for Iris and Charles. Thanks to all materity staff. Well done!

BLACK.—On March 21, 1985, in Denmark, to JEAN MARY (nee Brown) and STUART LANCE CAMERON, a son (Samuel).

BRETT.—On March 24, to JANET (nee Sheppard) and PETER, a son (Jonathan).

BURN.—On March 26, to ALISON and STEPHEN, a son (William James), a brother for Thomas.

COWEN.—On March 20, to ELIZABETH (nee Hindmarsh) and JOHN, a daughter (Olivia Jane).

de WOLFF.—On March 26, at Hinchingbrooke Hospital, to INGA (nee Lawrie) and MICHAEL, a daughter (Claudia Joan), a sister for Gerard.

DURSTON.—On March 27, at Peterborough Maternity Hospital, to CHRISTINE (nee Birtwell) and JIM a son (Thomas James).

EVERETT.—On March 26, in Cullinan, South Africa, to GILL and DAVID, a son (Gareth).

GRADWELL.—On March 25, at Ninewells Hospital, Dundee, to ROSEMARY (nee Kion) and DAVID, a daughter (Hannah Louise).

HALES.—On March 27, to ANNE (nee David) and ANDREW, a son (Robert Andrew), a brother for Alexander.

LAWRENCE.—On March 27, at Masterton, New Zealand, to CHARLOTTE (nee Acheson-Gray) and TIM, a son (Samuel Gwynne).

LEWIS.—On March 25, at St Mary's Hospital, Portsmouth, to FLAIRI (nee Smith) and CHARLES, a son (Henry Charles), a brother for Abigail.

PETERS.—On March 26, at High Wycombe General Hospital, to JANE (nee Walters) and RODNEY, a daughter (Caroline Sarah), a sister for Kate, Lucy, Anna and Sophie.

RAYMOND. — On March 25, at Arrowe Park Hospital, to HELEN (nee Wilson) and CHRISTOPHER, a son (Peter Benjamin).

SMALLMAN.—On March 27, at Pembury Hospital, to SALLY (nee Grant) and ROBERT, a beautiful son (Oliver Charles).

VANNECK. — On March 12, to ARABELLA and JOSHUA, a son (Gerard Charles Alastair).

MARRIAGES

SCOTT—DEAKIN. — On March 23, at West Wittering Parish Church, RICHARD HENRY (Tim) SCOTT to MARTHA HARKNESS DEAKIN.

SILVER WEDDING

YARWOOD—CUTLER.— On March 19, 1960, at Kensington Register Office, PETER to HEATHER. Now at 13, Bretton Drive, Broughton, Chester.

GOLDEN WEDDING

BARNARD—WINSOR. — On March 28, 1935, at All Saints Church, Stand, Manchester, PETER to FREDA. Now at Bas End, Hurley, Berks.

IN MEMORIAM

THEIR NAME LIVETH FOR EVERMORE

FERGUSON. — In honoured memory of L/Sgt WILLIAM FERGUSON, Royal Artillery, 7 Troop, 5 Commando, and his comrades who died in Operation Chariot, St Nazaire, March 28, 1942. "They achieved much having dared all."

HUDSON. — In loving memory of GEORGE, killed St Nazaire, March 28, 1942. Also remembering his very gallant comrades.

THE ST NAZAIRE SOCIETY.—In proud memory of those Officers and Men of the Royal Navy and Commandos who gave their lives in the action at St Nazaire on March 28, 1942.

DEATHS

ALLEN.—On March 25, at home, CLAUDE ARTHUR HENRY, of Woking, Surrey, aged 72 years, beloved husband of Dolly. Service at St Andrew's Church, Woldingham, 11 a.m., April 3.

ARMSTRONG. — On March 22, peacefully in hospital, RONALD DOUGLAS, dearly loved brother of Joan D'Arcy and uncle of Alex and family. Funeral service on Wednesday, April 3, at Putney Vale Crematorium, Kingston Road, S.W.15, at 2 p.m. Family flowers only.

BAILEY. — On March 26, GEORGE F. M. (Bob), passed away peacefully in his sleep in hospital. Sadly missed by his wife Frances, and Family.

BENNETT.—On March 23, at Mount Vernon Hospital, FREDERICK ARTHUR, Retired Actor. Cremation April 2. Grateful thanks to supporters and staff of Denville Hall.

BIGHAM. — On March 24, 1985, FORTH, widow of the Hon. Sir TREVOR BIGHAM. Requiem Mass to be announced later.

BIRKS.—On March 25, 1985, after a long illness, Major-General HORACE LESLIE BIRKS, C.B., D.S.O., much loved husband of the late Gladys, father of Tony, grandfather of Simon and Nigel. Funeral service at St Andrew's Church, Colyton, Devon, on Tuesday, April 2, at 11.30 a.m. No flowers please. Donations if wished to the R.T.R. Benevolent Fund Bovington Camp, Wareham, Dorset.

BOUCKLEY.—On March 27, peacefully in his sleep, KENNETH GEORGE, dearly loved husband of Kay and father of John and Sally. Funeral service at St Peter's, Burnwood Road, Walton-on-Thames, on Wednesday, April 3, at 2.15 p.m., followed by cremation at Randalls Park for family only. Family flowers, but donations if desired to Linear Accelerator Appeal Fund, Westminster Hospital, London.

BROOKS.—On March 26, at Orpington Hospital, ROSE ADELAIDE, aged 86, of Sevenoaks, Kent, a dearly loved and loving aunt, great-aunt and friend. Funeral service at 2.30 p.m. on Tuesday, April 2, at St Luke's Church, Eardley Road, Sevenoaks, followed by cremation at Tunbridge Wells. All inquiries to W. Hodges & Co, Sevenoaks 454457.

BROWN.—On March 27, peacefully at the Acland Home, Oxford, ROBERT HENRY (Harry), aged 65, of Holy Trinity House, Cranfield, Oxford, beloved husband of Marjorie and father of Robert. Funeral service at Cranfield Parish Church on Saturday, March 30, at 9.45 a.m., followed by cremation at Oxford at 11 a.m. Family flowers only, but donations if desired to British Cancer Research. Thanks are expressed to the Doctors and Staff of the Acland Home for their care and attention.

BROWNE. — On March 26, 1985, peacefully in hospital, BEATRICE MAY, aged 77 years, of Windermere Crescent, Goring-by-Sea, Sussex. Funeral service at Worthing Crematorium on Tuesday, April 2, at 2.30 p.m.

BUTT. — On March 25, peacefully, AGNES, aged 87 years. Funeral service at Salisbury Crematorium Monday, April 1, at 11 a.m. No flowers, please.

CATHER.—On March 26, 1985, in his 91st year, DERMOT PATRICK CATHER, Capt., R.N. (Ret'd), of Battle, East Sussex. Funeral service at Battle Parish Church at 11.30 a.m., Thursday, April 4, followed by private cremation. Family flowers only.

CHAMP.—On March 25, 1985, at King Edward VII Hospital, Midhurst, JESSIE, beloved aunt of Audrey, and grandmother of Martin and Desiree. Funeral service at St Thomas a Becket Church, Warblington, Hants, at 12 noon on Thursday, April 4. Flowers to Reynolds, F.D., 27-31, High Street, Bognor Regis.

CULLINGTON.—On March 23, 1985, JANET RUTH, late of National Westminster Bank. Cremation has taken place. Donations if so desired to the Friends of Victoria Hospital, Lewes. No letters, please.

CURTIS.—On March 26, PERCY JOHN CURTIS, C.B., C.B.E., aged 84, dearly loved husband of Joyce. Funeral at Putney Vale Crematorium, 3 p.m., April 3.

DARRAGH. — On March 22, died peacefully at Queen Mary House, Chislehurst, (Schoolmistress and Governesses Benevolent Institution), NANCY, Governess, to various families between 1919 and 1947. Funeral at 11.30 a.m. on Monday, April 1, at Eltham Crematorium.

FAIR.—On March 27, Dom NINIAN, Prior of Downside, aged 78. Funeral at Downside Abbey, Tuesday, April 2, at 2.30 p.m. R.I.P.

FAULKNER.—On March 27, peacefully in hospital, RICHARD, aged 82, retired in Silverdale, formerly N.C.B. Mining Engineer in Lancashire and West Midlands.

GARNHAM.—On March 26, peacefully at Forestside House, Rowlands Castle, FREDERICK WILLIAM HENRY GARNHAM, F.P.I.G.W., I.C.R., aged 87, formerly of Wallington, Surrey. Cremation at Chichester on Thursday, April 4, at 2 p.m. Donations to Royal Masonic Hospital.

GOMME. — On March 25, 1985, peacefully at the Royal Marsden Hospital, Sutton, PAUL ALLAN, aged 26. Cremation at Randalls Park, Leatherhead, on Wednesday, April 3, at 2.30 p.m. Family flowers only. Donations to Cancer Research.

GRAHAM.—On March 26, 1985, at Perth Royal Infirmary, after a long illness, FLORENCE MABEL, of Gardtown, Perthshire, late of Offord D'Arcy and Guildford, much loved mother of Susan, Charles and Malcolm, both deceased, and daughter-in-law Jeanette. No flowers. Donations if preferred to the Royal Star and Garter Home, Richmond.

GREENWOOD. — On March 26, 1985, suddenly in Amersham Hospital, ROGER PAUL, loved husband of Anne and father of Paul and Simon. Funeral service will take place on Tuesday, April 2, at Chilterns Crematorium, Amersham, at 10.30 a.m. Family flowers only. Donations to charity of own choice. No letters, please.

GREGORY.—On March 23, 1985, peacefully in Worthing, ELIZABETH WHASSELL, aged 89 years, widow of Norman, late of Hebburn, London and Ferring. Service at Worthing Crematorium on Tuesday, April 2, at 11.45 a.m. Inquiries to H. D. Tribe Ltd, 130, Broadwater Road, Worthing 34516.

GYLE-THOMPSON. — See WATSON.

HANNAH.—On March 26, 1985, peacefully at home after a long illness, GEORGE ALEXANDER HANNAH, C.B.E., J.P., Highfields, Oadby, Leicestershire, dear beloved husband of Jenny. Funeral service and cremation at Loughborough Crematorium, Leicestershire, on Tuesday, April 2, at 2.30 p.m. No flowers by request. All inquiries to Co-Operative Funeral Service, 128, London Road, Coalville, Leics., tel. Coalville 36703.

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DEATHS (Continued)

HARRISON.—On March 25, peacefully, IRIS CONSTANCE, of 20, Priory Road, Wantage. Private cremation. Thanksgiving service All Saints, Goosey, Faringdon, Oxon, at 12.15 p.m. on Sunday, March 31. No flowers, by request. Donations if desired to Wantage Blind Club, via the family.

HILL. — On March 26, peacefully, MAISIE WINIFRED, of Botley, widow of HERBERT HILL, formerly of East Grinstead and Alresford, beloved aunt of Fred and Margaret. Cremation at Southampton on Monday, April 1, at 10 a.m. Family flowers only, but donations if desired for Cancer Research, c/o Lloyds Bank, Botley, Hants.

HITCH.—On March 26, at home, Lt-Col A. T. HITCH D.S.O. much loved husband of Katrine (Biffy). Private cremation. No flowers. Donations, if desired, to Salvation Army.

HOLGATE.—On March 20, 1985, in hospital, ROSALIE, of West Kirby, Wirral, beloved wife of the late John William, dear sister of William Taylor. Service on Wednesday, March 27, 2 p.m., at St Bridget's Church, West Kirby, followed by interment at Grange Cemetery. All flowers and inquiries to Quinns Funeral Service, West Kirby (051-625 3274).

HORN.—On March 26, suddenly and peacefully at home, BETTY ANNE, loving daughter of Denne. No flowers or letters, please. Cremation private.

HUMPHRYS.—On March 26, after a long and distressing illness, NORMAN, aged 64 years, dearly loved husband of Joy. Any inquiries to Smart Hoskins Ltd, 32, Norman Road, St Leonards-on-Sea.

HUTCHINSON.—On March 27, 1985, peacefully in hospital, MARY MYFANWY (nee Jackson), in her 100th year, wife of the late W. H. B. HUTCHINSON, M.C., of the East Riding. Inquiries to Percival, funeral directors, Buxton, Derbyshire 3056.

INSKIP.—On March 25, peacefully in hospital, SAMUEL, beloved husband of Nance and greatly loved father and grandfather. Service of thanksgiving at Holy Trinity Church, Hermon Hill, South Woodford, on Monday, April 1, at 11.30 a.m., followed by private cremation. Family flowers only, please, but donations if desired to the Vicar for Holy Trinity Church Restoration Fund.

JACK.—On March 24, in Bermuda, as a result of a tragic accident, DAVID LIONEL, much loved son of Bettine and Bill, and brother of Michael and Vanessa. Memorial service to be announced later.

JOHNSON.—On March 25, suddenly, JOHN, of Shipton-under-Wychwood, and formerly of Edinburgh, the so much loved husband of Edna and father of Bill and Dorothy. In proud memory. Funeral service at St Mary's Church, Shipton-under-Wychwood, on Monday, April 1, at 12 noon, followed by cremation at Oxford. Family flowers only, please. Donations if desired to the Sudan Famine Appeal.

JONES.—On March 25, 1985, peacefully in Southmead Hospital, JANE SHIRLEY JONES, former Principal of Nursery Nurses College, Bristol, and daughter of the late Rev. Dr. Richard Jones and Mrs Violet Jones, Llandinam, Powys. Funeral service at Redland United Reformed Church on Monday, April 1, at 3.15 p.m., followed by private committal. Family flowers only, please. Donations if desired to the National Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children or to the Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, Bristol branches.

JONES.—On March 26, 1985, suddenly at Queen Elizabeth Court, Llandudno, JOHN HUGH JONES, aged 70 years, formerly of Morden, Surrey, and Post Master of Dewi Sant Lodge, No. 4725, London. Funeral service and committal at Colwyn Bay Crematorium on Monday April 1, at 2.30 p.m. Family flowers only. Donations to Queen Elizabeth Court Residents Amenities Fund, c/o Harold E. Griffith, funeral directors, Jubilee Street, Llandudno, tel. (0492) 77053 or 76108.

KERR.—On March 25, 1985, JAMES MACPHERSON, dearly loved husband of Eileen. Service Croydon Crematorium, Tuesday, April 2, at 3.30 p.m. Donations if desired to the Imperial Cancer Research Fund.

KITCHEN.—On March 26, suddenly but peacefully at home, ALFRED PHILIP KITCHEN, F.R.C.S. (Ed), dearly loved husband of Joan and father of Tony, Sally and Gail. Family flowers only. Donations to Red Cross or R.N.L.I.

KOECHLIN.—On March 26, peacefully, after a short illness, ELIZABETH BRIGID (Biddy), of The Ferns, Rowney Green, Ivechurch, 848 TOH. Funeral service at Rowney Green Church, 2 p.m., Monday, April 1. Donations in lieu of flowers to the National Trust.

KOFFTING.—On March 23, peacefully in his sleep, RUDOLPH, beloved husband of Ginette and father of Christine, Diana and Clive. Interment at Putney Vale Cemetery on Tuesday, April 2, at 2.15 p.m. Flowers to Mathias, 213, Upper Richmond Road, S.W.15, by 12 noon, please.

LAKE.—On March 25, peacefully, at her home in Frinton-on-Sea, MARGUERITE JEAN, much loved wife of Crompton John. Funeral service on Tuesday, April 2, at Colchester Crematorium, at 11.30 a.m. (Amended Notice) Family flowers only please, but donations, if so desired, to a charity of your own choice. Inquiries to P. G. Oxley Ltd, 47, High Street, Walton-on-the-Naze. Tel. Frinton 5649. We apologise to the family for any distress caused by the incorrect previous insertion of this notice.

LEARY.—On March 25, at Colchester Hospital, Wing Commander THOMAS WILLIAM LEARY, M.B.E., beloved husband of Josephine. Funeral service Chelmsford Crematorium, April 1, at 1.30 p.m. Family flowers only.

LEECH.—On March 27, peacefully at her home, ALISON MARY LEECH, aged 25, younger daughter of George and Grace Leech, of The Greave, Rochdale, much loved friend of Dr Rachel Edsall, aunt and great-aunt. Funeral at 11.30 a.m., Monday, April 1, at Guildford Crematorium. Family flowers only. Donations if desired to Royal Commonwealth Society for the Blind, Commonwealth House, Haywards Heath, Sussex.

LEECH.—On March 25, at Oxford, FREDERICK HENRY, dear husband of Peggy. Funeral service at St Mary's Church, Woodstock, on April 2, at 11 a.m. Private cremation. No flowers, please, but donations c/o Mrs Ashpole, John Radcliffe Hospital, Oxford.

LLOYD.—On Sunday, March 24, 1985, at Priory Street Hospital, Carmarthen, BETTY, of Llwyndewi, Llandilo, late of Glamorgan. Funeral today (Thursday, March 28), at Llangadog Church, Dyfed, 11 a.m.

MATHER.—On March 26, 1985, peacefully in hospital, HAROLD ROYSTON (Roy), of 24, Glen Rise, Brighton, dearly loved husband of Jean and father of David and Julia. Service at the Downs Crematorium, Bear Road, Brighton, on Tuesday, April 2, at 3 p.m. Family flowers only, please, but donations if desired may be sent to the Sussex Cancer Treatment Fund, at the Royal Sussex County Hospital.

MEGRAH.—On March 25, 1985, MAURICE HENRY MEGRAH, Q.C., husband of the late Irene, loved father of Zalda and grandfather of Richard, David, Nigel and Peter.

MOORE.—On March 26, 1985, suddenly, EDWARD THOMAS, dearly loved husband of Edith. Funeral service to be held at the Guildford Crematorium, Tuesday, April 2, at 11 a.m. All flowers and inquiries please to Pimms Funeral Services, Dorset House, High Street, Cranleigh 274079.

NAPIER.—On March 25, suddenly, in a car accident in Kenya, IAN NAPIER, much loved son of Audrey and the late Col W. E. S. NAPIER, 1, St Colms, North Berwick.

NASH.—On March 26, 1985, suddenly but peacefully at home, Flt Lt KENNETH REGINALD (Ken) NASH R.A.F.V.R., (Retd), of 14, Cell Farm Avenue, Old Windsor, Berks, husband of Jean, father of Susan and Hilary, grandfather of Victoria, Nikki, Christopher and Katy.

OAKLEY.—On March 27, 1985, FORTH ROSE, the dearly loved wife of the late Percy. Funeral service at Grimshaw Street United Reformed Church, Preston, Monday, April 1, at 12.30 p.m., prior to cremation Preston Crematorium. Family flowers only, please. Arrangements Messrs H. Whittle & Sons, 94, Ripon Street, Preston, tel. (0772) 14956.

OATEN.—On March 25, 1985, at St Mary's Hospital, Sidcup, EDNA ALICE (nee Sherman). Funeral at Lewisham Crematorium, April 2, at 11 a.m.

PALGRAVE BROWN.—On March 26, peacefully, in her sleep at Leeds in her 94th year, of Redisham Hall, Beccles, Suffolk, dearly loved mother of Ian, Alan and Alastair, grandmother of Alexandra, and Nigel and great-grandmother of Matthew and Philip. Funeral service All Saints Church, Ringsfield, Beccles, Monday, April 1, at 2.30 p.m., followed by private cremation. No flowers, by request. Donations if desired for the Friends of Ringsfield Church, c/o Harvey Bros, funeral directors, Kirby Cane, Bungay, Suffolk.

PEACOCK.—On March 26, peacefully at her home on Hayling Island, SYBILLA EILEEN. "To live in hearts we leave behind is not to die." Cremation at Chichester on Friday, March 29, at 11.30 a.m. Family flowers only, please, but donations if desired, c/o Gradys, funeral directors, 23, Mengham Road, Hayling Island, in respect of Cancer Research.

PELLY.—On March 26, 1985, peacefully in hospital, CORNELIUS JAMES PELLY, C.M.G., O.B.E., of 15, Westminster House, Stokesay, Bromsgrove, much loved husband of Lily and a devoted father of Louis, Peter and their families, fond brother of Cara and Gwen. Requiem Mass at St Kenelm's R.C. Church, Bromsgrove, on Tuesday, April 2, at 2.30 p.m., followed by burial at Bridport Cemetery.

PERKINS.—On March 21, 1985, suddenly at his home, Pennycroft, Coombe Close, Bovey Tracey, S. Devon, REGINALD, aged 80 years, former Naval Photographer. The funeral service has taken place.

PURDY.—On Tuesday, March 26, Rev. GEORGE WILLIAM PURDY, of Great Missenden. Funeral 12 noon, Saturday, March 30, at Great Missenden Church. Donations to British Heart Foundation.

QUARTLY.—On March 26, 1985, peacefully in hospital in his 93rd year, REGINALD, of Potters Bar, Herts, brother of Winifred and Leonard. Funeral service on Tuesday, April 2, at 3.45 p.m., at West Herts Crematorium, Garston, near Watford. Flowers to C. A. Nemeroff & Son Ltd, 150, Darkes Lane, Potters Bar, by 2 p.m.

REDWOOD.—On March 25, IAN MAURICE, aged 30, died tragically in a flying accident, deeply missed by his wife Janice, daughter Amy and parents Maurice and June. Funeral 11.30 a.m., Monday, April 1, Down Ampney Parish Church, Glos. Flowers to Reeves & Pain, 280, Abingdon Road, Oxford.

REED.—On March 27, SIDNEY MAURICE, husband of the late MARGARET ETHEL REED. Funeral service at Sackville Road Methodist Church, Bexhill, on Tuesday, April 2, at 2.15 p.m., followed by cremation at Hastings. Flowers to Mummery, F.D., Bexhill-on-Sea.

ROBINSON.—On Monday, March 25, 1985, peacefully at the Downs Nursing Home, Yelverton, ARTHUR WALTER, aged 88, of Sidmouth, Brighton, Sussex, formerly of Harrow, Middlesex, beloved husband of the late CONSTANCE ROBINSON. Funeral 12 noon, Monday, April 1, at the Downs Crematorium, Brighton. Donations if desired to the Arthritis and Rheumatism Council for Research, 41, Eagle Street, London WC1R 4AR.

ROBINSON.—On March 25, 1985, peacefully at home, Major E. R. W. ROBINSON, M.C. Funeral service at Bagendon Church, Glos, on March 30, at 12 noon. Family flowers only. Donations, if desired, to the British Heart Foundation Appeal, 102, Gloucester Place, London, W1H 4DH.

ROPER.—On March 24, as the result of an accident, MURIEL GRACE ROPER, M.A. (Oxon) (nee Orton), beloved wife of Cuthbert (Robin) A. Roper. "In manus tuas domine." Funeral service at Dorchester Abbey on Friday, March 29, at 3.30 p.m. Family flowers only. Donations if desired to the Memorial Fund, c/o Dorchester Abbey, Oxon.

de SANCHA.—On March 23, at St Stephen's Hospital, after a merciful brief illness, THOMAS, dearly loved father to Michael and Antonia and grandfather to Nicholas, Thomas and Edward. A Requiem Mass will be held on Monday, April 1, at 10.30 a.m., at the Carmelite Church, 41, Kensington Church Street, London, W8, followed by cremation at 12.15 p.m. at the Putney Vale Crematorium. Flowers may be sent to P. W. Ballard & Son, 306-308, Old Brompton Road, London, S.W.5. For further information tel. Michael, 01-374

SAVAGE.—On Sunday, March 24, 1985, peacefully after a long illness at Watford General Hospital, Lt-Col WILLIAM SAVAGE, in his 81st year, beloved husband of Margaret, father of Anne, Kathleen and Meredith, grandad of Fiona, Allison, Jeremy, Nicholas and Timothy. Funeral private. No letters, please. Family flowers only. Donations may be sent to Maida Vale Hospital for Nervous Diseases, W.9.

SILVER.—On Monday, March 25, 1985, peacefully, at home in Douglas, Isle of Man, FREDA MARION, widow of HERBERT BAYLISS SILVER, formerly of Denham, Bucks. Funeral service and cremation at Douglas, Isle of Man Crematorium at 1.30 p.m. on Friday, March 29. Family flowers only, please. Donations in lieu flowers if so desired to the British Heart Foundation, c/o Mrs Cromar, The Vane, Ballabeg, Arbory, Isle of Man. Inquiries tel.: (0624) 75125.

SLEE.—On March 25, after a short illness, MAROLD ARNOLD SLEE, M.A., of Spittal, Dyfed, formerly of Witney, Oxon, beloved husband of Joan and much loved father and grandfather. Cremation today (Thursday). Family flowers only. Donations if wished to R.N.L.I.

SMITH.—On March 24, 1985, at Loose, near Maidstone, Kent, ARTHUR GEORGE.

SPEED.—On March 25, ERNEST, of Gordon Road, Whitstable, passed peacefully away at Kent and Canterbury Hospital, after a short illness. "Absent from the body, present with the Lord." Funeral Monday, April 1, at 2 p.m., Essex Street Hall, Whitstable. Family flowers only, please. Donations, if desired, may be made to Gideons International, c/o W. S. Cole & Son, Monkton, near Ramsgate.

STONE.—On March 26, on Islay, after a very long and painful illness borne with great courage and her usual unfailing cheerfulness, MARY LOUISE (Madge), aged 65, daughter of Alexander Lawson, of Kirriemuir, and Mary Lawson (nee Dolg), of Arbroath, beloved wife of Douglas and much loved mother of Frances and Andrew and nanna of Alexandra, Victoria and David. Service at St John's Church, Port Ellen, at 2 p.m. on Friday, March 29.

STUART.—On March 26, at a Burnham-on-Sea nursing home, ELIZABETH REID (Betty) (nee Wells), aged 87, widow of GEORGE PAUL STUART, M.P.S., and dearly loved mother of Rama and Malsie. Cremation at Weston-super-Mare, on Tuesday, April 2. Family flowers only. Inquiries to F. J. Davis, 27, Cross Street, Burnham-on-Sea, tel. (0278) 782884.

SWIRE.—On March 25, after a short illness, PETER, of 31, Glensall Road, Woodford Green, beloved husband of Margaret, father of William. Private cremation, for immediate family. Memorial service at Bishop Stuart Methodist Church, Leytonstone, on Thursday, April 4, at 12.30 p.m. No flowers. Donations if desired to the Hospital for Sick Children, Great Ormond Street.

TAINTON.—On March 27, 1985, suddenly, at her home, Farthings, Duke Street, Hadleigh, Suffolk, EDNA, beloved wife of the late JAMES B. TAINTON and friend of many. Funeral service at Ipswich Crematorium, North Chapel, on Thursday, April 4, at 2.30 p.m. Flowers to Kingsbury & Saunders, F/D, 61, George Street, Hadleigh, tel. 823117.

THOMAS.—On March 27, Air Commodore T. R. THOMAS, T.S.C., husband of E. M. Thomas (Brown), and father of Jane Dunham. Cremation at Kingston Crematorium, Kingston, Surrey, April 2, 1 p.m. Flowers to Fred Paine, Bryson House, Horace Road, Kingston, Surrey, by 11 a.m.

TOOVEY.—On March 25, 1985, in hospital after a long illness, JAMES ROWLAND (Roy), aged 86 years. At his request, no mourning, no flowers and no letters.

TULLETT.—On March 25, 1985, in hospital, PHYLLIS ETHEL (nee Beach), dearly loved wife of Wally and dearly loved mother and mother-in-law of Tony and Judy. Funeral South Essex Crematorium, Upminster, 1.30 p.m., April 3.

UTTERTON.—On March 26, at Brandon Court, Winchester, MARY SUMNER, aged 72, sister of Jane Dickson. Cremation at Southampton Crematorium on Monday, April 1, at 2.30 p.m. No flowers. Donations to Brandon Court, c/o John Steel & Son Ltd, Chesil House, Winchester.

VALLANCE.—On March 26, 1985, suddenly at home, Canon RODES VALLANCE, dearly loved husband of Joan and father of Simon and Ursula. Funeral service 11.30 a.m., Wednesday, April 3, Godstone Parish Church. Family flowers only. Donations for Clergy Orphan Corporation and St Luke's Hospital for the Clergy, c/o Stoneman Funeral Service, Ebbw Court, Redhill, Surrey.

WATSON.—On March 24, peacefully, after a brave battle for nine years, ROBIN, aged 45, dearly loved mother of Timothy and Angus. Family funeral has taken place. No letters, please.

WHATELEY.—On March 26, at St Bartholomew's Hospital, BURLAH TONSETTE (Tony), dearly beloved wife of Barry and daughter of Freda. Funeral service at Golders Green Crematorium on Monday, April 1, at 3 p.m. Flowers to Pannam Ltd, funeral directors, 185, Sevenfield Road, Kenton, Harrow, Middlesex.

WHITEHAM.—On March 18, 1985, ALBERT EDWARD, aged 72 years, much loved by both his sons Ian and Duncan. Funeral service will take place on Friday, March 29, at St Peter's Parish Church, Chalfont St Peter, Bucks, at 12 noon, followed by interment.

WILKIN.—On March 22, 1985, at her home in Church Norton, W. Sussex, JESSIE EVELYN ROBINA WILKIN (nee Forrest). Cremation at Chichester on Monday, April 1, at 4 p.m. Flowers to F. A. Holland & Sons, 3, Jubilee Road, Chichester, W. Sussex.

WILSON.—On March 26, in Tunbridge Wells, after a short illness, Col HENRY JAMES (Jack) WILSON, C.B.E., T.D., beloved husband of Anita and much loved father of Alastair, Bruce and Gordon, and proud grandfather of Melville, Sophie, Clare, James, Joe, Elizabeth and Sally. Funeral service at the Kent and Sussex Crematorium, Tunbridge Wells, on Monday, April 1, at 4 p.m., for family and local friends. Memorial service to be announced later. No flowers, please, but donations if desired, to the Royal Agricultural Benevolent Institution or the London Scottish Regiment Benevolent Fund.

WILSON.—On March 26, suddenly at home, MURIEL (Kip), aged 82 years, of White Horse Cottage, Stoke-by-Nayland, wife of the late PERCY GRANVILLE WILSON, mother of Tim. Funeral service at Stoke-by-Nayland Church on Tuesday, April 2, at 11.15 a.m., followed by cremation at Ipswich. Flowers to Kingsbury & Saunders, F/D, 61, George Street, Hadleigh, tel. 823117.

WITH.—On March 25, at St Paul's Hospital, Winchester, BARBARA MARY, aged 90, much loved by her son Tom and all the family. Private cremation, by request.

WRIGHT.—On March 22, as the result of a heart attack, GEOFFREY ANTHONY EDWARD DREW (Tony to so many), very dear husband and friend of Hilary, much loved father of Peter and Richard and grandfather of Stephen, Emma, George, Katy-Lou and William. Service at St Peter's, Cranbourne, Hatchet Lane, Winkfield, at 2.30 p.m., Friday, March 29, followed by private cremation. Family flowers only, please. If desired donations in lieu may be sent to the British Heart Foundation or the R.N.L.I.

YOUNG.—On March 24, WILLIAM JOHN, sadly missed by Mary, Jennifer and Mark. Service at Christ Church, Victoria Road, Kensington, 2 p.m., Tuesday, April 2, followed by cremation. Flowers to E. B. Ashton, 96, Fulham Road, S.W.3.

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

BONE.—Mrs Penny Bone and Family would like to thank all the friends and colleagues of the late Mr Ignace Bone, R.C., C.Eng., F.I.E.E., M.I.Mech.E., who sent flowers and letters of condolence, for his contribution to the Electrical Engineering Industry.

TAYLOR.—The family of the late ALFRED TAYLOR sincerely thank all his friends at Thomson House and all his personal friends, the Crown Estate Office, doctors and staff of the Westminster and St. Mary's, Paddington, Hospitals, Penfold Court, Social Services and the directors and colleagues of THE DAILY TELEGRAPH for their floral tributes, donations and cards of sympathy received.

MEMORIAL SERVICE

WARD.—A Memorial Service for Flying Officer GUY B. WARD, reported missing, presumed dead, on January 30, 1965. Memorial service to be held at St Clement Danes, The Central Church of the Royal Air Force, in the Strand, at 1 p.m., on Tuesday, April 2, 1985.

IN MEMORIAM

BARBER, JEAN MARY, passed away March 28, 1981.—Her loving memory ever in our thoughts.—Mummy, Family and Friends.

CLARK, STANLEY FRANK. — Our wonderful day, March 28, 1936. My love to you always and for ever.—Enid.

COE, PAULINE MARIE. — Deeply missed, but with us still in spirit.—Mum, Michelle and Ute.

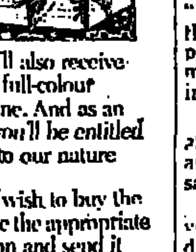
GRIFFIN, FREDERICK JONES.—Remembering with so much love on the 25th anniversary.—Family.

SOMMER, DUDLEY.—March 28. Most lovingly remembered today and always.—Ruth.

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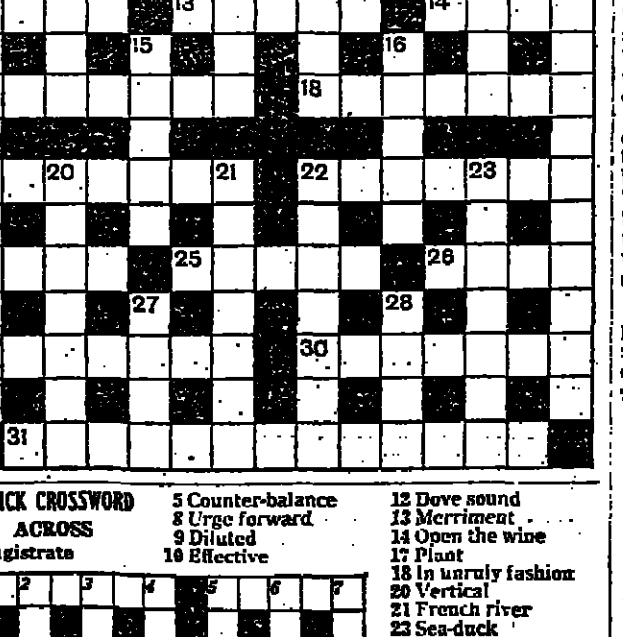
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1 Toss two-fold gold leaves (6, 2, 5)
10 Mich calling for car industry settlement; can I opt out? (7)
11 Employment struggle since 1945 (4-3)
12 With a reservation, back among the big brass (4)
13 & 14 Battered swimmers getting into the newspapers (5, 4)
17 Six-footer police head entering to have a look round (7)
18 A pair of steady walkers on a waving surface (5-4)
19 Common public? (7)
22 Clerk disturbed after he questioned the candidate's *address* (7)
24 & 26 A weasly outworn overall? That's one of the richest! (4, 4)
25 A holy air of service (5)
26 See 24
29 Sizing-up some joke about upper-class spirit (7)
30 Where Napoleon first saw the *light* (7)
31 The shoe that fits for 42 months? (5, 3, 1, 4)

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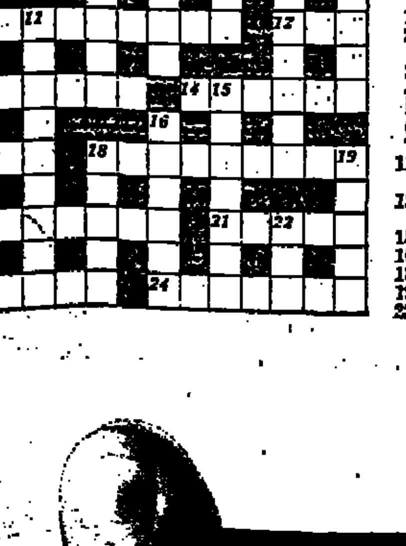
2 A comprehensive volume bound to transport us (7)
3 That fashion edge the beret-wearer always lacks (4)
4 Object about right passage to be selected (7)
5 Put down to do some evening work again (7)
6 North or South island? It confuses us (4)
7 The pulling power of one's ship coming home! (7)
8 Isn't that just like the catty thing when her back's up! (8, 5)
9 Work arranged for a variety of players in noted style (13)
15 & 16 Jolly perplexing measure of the aurora *borealis*? (5, 5)
20 Wildly hungry nuns turning hot and cold — nothing like it! (7)
21 Dishy Italian contribution from Prunella's agname (7)
22 The linen favoured by chairmen in the Netherlands (7)
23 Little one of pride and proud heraldic bearing (7)
27 An order to the squad to empty the barrels (4)
28 Shaw's new laundry (4)



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ACROSS
1 Magistrate
5 Counter-balance
8 *Urge forward*
9 Diluted
10 Effective
12 Dove sound
13 *Merriment*
14 Open the wine
17 Plant
18 In unruly fashion
20 Vertical
21 French river
23 Sea-duck
24 Jostled

DOWN
1 Fruit liquid
2 Small liquid mouthful
3 Unlicensed
4 High estimation
5 Card game
6 Harmless
7 Sea-fish
11 Squandered piecemeal
13 *Meaningful* movement
15 Provokes
16 A whisk
18 Light beer
19 Concede
22 Unwell



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